The energy

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tric motor for five months on

the power of one lemon, re-

vealed yesterday, has delivered

the scientific community a

shock calculated at slightly lea-

Experts are agreed that

Britain must find alternative sources of energy in the next

Engineers at the Chloride

group of Manchester, one of the leading companies explor-ing new kinds of batteries and

electric vehicles, are sceptical of the claims of Mr Anthony

shill, who says that his motor

is still running although his lemon is black and shrivelled.

plugged in lemons under laboratory conditions, calculate that one fruit will produce sufficient electricity to power, at best. a digital watch. They

estimate the output of one good fruit at 10 microwatts, enough

Mr John Jones, of Chloride, said: "The lemon is a perfectly well known power source, and has long been used to demonstrate the principle of the battery to schoolchildren. Place!"

one copper and one zinc wire in 💥

a half lemon, place your tongue across them, and the acid in the

fruit will produce a very small

On the scientists' calculations.

it would take 10 million lemons to power one television set, and

5,000 million lemons to power a small electric vehicle, which

would be far from large enough to carry that much fruit about.

A rough calculation by Chloride

indicates that to power three small electric vehicles would

swallow the entire citrus pro-duction of Israel.

facing battery designers, and delaying development of the

delaying neverlopment of the electric car. Despite encouraging experiments with a sodium sulphur battery, engineers have not yet fully solved the difficulty of making a powerful energy source that is not impossibly heavy.

Lemon power is an unaurac-tive option for the United King-

dom, which has no indigenous lemon groves and is unlikely to discover lush citrus groves

Last year we imported 43,223

tonnes of lemons, enough to power 40 light bulbs, or four

electric fires, at a cost of £10.5m. But it is a politically

advantageous energy source, most of our supplies coming from the relative stability of the

But as one of the main areas

of production is Sicily, it is

conceivable that any future Organization of Lemon Export-

ing Countries could fall under the control of organized crime.

well placed, with large reserves

Power from living things is

a far from new concept. Gal-

under the North Sea,

EEC or Spain.

in Californía.

The problem is exactly that

for a tiny pulse.

sbock.'

Metal

Chloride scientists, who bave

answer

a lemon

By Alan Hamilton

than one volu-

Buying panic as gold soars to record \$630

A lack of confidence in paper money, particularly the dollar, led to an unprecedented rush for gold yesterday, with the London market price closing at \$630 an ounce, up \$62.50 on the day. Dealers at 30.50 an ounce, up \$62.50 on the day. Dealers sulphur dioxide, skidded and remained uncertain as to when profit taking to free his body with two 70would set in bringing the price down.

Slump of confidence in paper money

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aries.

Economics Editor The great gold rush dominated the world's money markets vesterday. It even spilt over into London's West End as temand for sovereigns grew so intense that Barclays, the only bank which sells them over the counter ran out.

But as attention switched to New York from European trading centres, including London, where gold ended the day \$62.50 np at \$630.00, there was some casing in the price as dealers had a nagging suspicion that what has gone up so dramapically in the past month might start to come down.

The European buying panic followed Hongkons, where trading was so hectic that dealers suspended trading as sold broke through the \$650 barrier. By the end of Honglong trading, as the European centres were opening, some sort of normality had been established. After an unusually protected session to fix the price for London trading, the opening level was set at \$632. Gold's rise reflects an almost total collapse of confidence in paper money, particularly the dollar, which is being hit severely by uncertainty about the situation in Afghanistan and

There was heavy intervention central banks acress burope to try to prop up the dollar. At the end of the day, the intervention had limited the dollar's losses to only 0.1 per-rentage point, pushing its effec-tive exchange rate down to 81.5 per cent of its 1971 level.

Concern at turmoil in currency markets

Sterling lost a few points against the dollar but its effective rate continued to rise. Its increase in recent weeks has had economic news, including the national steel strike. Its effective rate rose by 0.3 percentage point to close at 70.5 per cent of its 1971 value. There are clear signs of growing concern at official level about the turmoil in the world currency markets. The gyrations of the gold

rice were discussed at the first egular meeting this year of the West German federal bank's central council in Frankfurt. The bank reacted when the effects of gold spilled over into

Axel Springer's

Hamburg, Jan 3.—Herr Axel Springer, the elder son of the West German publisher of Die

Well, has committed suicide, a spokesman for the company said Herr Springer, aged 38, held an editorial post in his father's

national weekly Well an Sonn-tas newspaper. He took his own life with one shot from a

revolver last night in Hamburg.

children and was suffering from depression after contract-

He was divorced and had two

elder son

kills himself

the Deutsche mark. After the dollar had fallen to just under Dm1.70 in Hongkong, the bank intervened to bring the rate back up to near Dm1.71 in Frankfurt in the late afternoon. The scale of intervention over

the past two days is understood to have been larger than usual. On the other hand, the bank's central council took no credit policy decisions at its meeting vesterday.

Meanwhile banking sources in Zurich expressed surprise at the relative stability achieved by the dollar against the Swiss franc.

South Africa unlikely to raise production

Mr Owen Horwood, finance minister of South Africa, the country which stands to gain most from a rise in the gold price, said that the surge in recent weeks showed the need for international discussions to put the world monetary system on a sounder footing. He gave notice that South Africa was most unlikely to increase its

production.
Unless there is some sign of official trading in the gold market is likely to be a hectic and confused affair for many days to come. Business was suspended for two hours in London yesterday to allow overstretched dealers to catch up with their

The key question now is at what point profit taking will set in and lead to a sharp fall in the price of gold. Anyone who bought an onnce of gold just over a week ago will have made over 25 per cent profit on their investment and hope of the authorities is that they will take that profit quickly and bring the price

down.
The gold price rose sharply in the aftermath of the 1973 fell dramatically.

Most Western

governments hope that the same phenomenon will reassert itself quickly, and there has been a growing willingness on the part of governments to tax gold pur-chases in an effort to speed up the process. But speculators are likely to take quite a lot of convincing before they are per-suaded that the price is heading

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Doctors said the examination would concentrate on his blood

circulation.

The Yugoslav leader, who is

87. spent New Year's Eve with friends at his hunting lodge north of Belgrade. The check up is said to be routine and on the advice of his doctors, but he president was noticeably in

Hundreds injured

By Martin Huckerby
A combination of ice, snow and freezing rain made the journey to work treacherous for

millions yesterday, with hund-reds of pedestrians injured and a large number of road acci-

The driver of a tanker was killed near Doncaster, York-shire, after the tanker, carrying tonne cranes.

Although snowfalls caused particular difficulties in the north of England and Scotland, it was in the South and Midlands where the treacherous surfaces caught people most

The number of emergency calls in the London area was so great that during the morn-

own way to hospital.
Instead of the normal 100
calls an hour, the ambulance
service received 380 between
9.00 am and 10.00 am yesterday,
mainly about accidents in which people had slipped and fallen, breaking arms, legs and ankles or injuring their heads.

Hampshire Ambulance Service, which had 80 calls in four hours, said: "It's just gone mad. The number of calls we've

field road.

A coach with a party of mentally handicapped children was in a crash in South Nutfield, Surrey, but it is understood that no one was injured.

More than 20 cars were involved in an accident on the A3 at Cobham, Surrey, and Scotland Yard said there were 46 accidents on the London part of the A3 between 9.00 am and A3 were closed, as were parts of the A10 north of London and the M40 in role Thames Valley. The police said the roads were unsafe to crive on

10 vehicles in an accident on the M1 near Chesterfield. "We have had to impose a 20 mph limit on the motorway. Even then it is almost impossible to

West Yorkshire police said there had been "countless slow speed, multi-vehicle shunts". Elsewhere, roads in Warwick-shire were blocked by lorries jack-knifing in the icy condirious and roads were blocked by snow in northern Scotland. Some trains into London

vere seriously delayed after freezing rain caused the brakes to ice up on several Southern

appeared during the day in many parts of the country, but the AA said that snow, slush and icy conditions were persist-ing in much of northern England and Scotland.

From Dessa Trevisan

Belgrade, Jan 3

President Tito has gone into hospital for a medical check up.

He has been suffering from sciatica for some years but his condition improved last summer when he discarded the

President Tito goes into

hospital for check up

on the slide to work

in London the Ambulance Service said it was their worst day for more than a decade. Sleer and rain froze into black

ing the London Ambulance Ser vice put out appeals for people to avoid using the 999 service unless it was absolutely neces-sary. They asked people with minor injuries to make their

mad. The number of calls we've been receiving is ridiculous."

Most involved people injured in falls although there were more than 20 casualties from road crashes. There were seven people injured in one crash on the A27 Winchester to Petersfield road.

until they had been salted. In the Midlands, Derbyshire police said conditions were borrific". There were at least

Region trains.

The worst black ice dis-

Trans-Pennine routes only passable with care.

schedule although spending most of his time out of

Patriotic Front guerrillas arrive at a monitoring force base in Rhodesia to be received by British troops. (Report, page 5.)

Soviet envoy in 'tough' Mr Sirs challenges Downing St meeting BSC to talk again

Political Reporter
Mrs Thatcher, the Prime

meeting with Mr Nikolai Lun-kov, the Soviet Ambassador, yesterday over the Soviet Union's move into Afghanistan. The Ambassador had re-quested the meeting to deliver a reply from President Brezh-nev to the Prime Minister's letter protesting against Soviet involvement in the internal affairs of Afghanistan. It is clear from the fact that

the meeting lasted 40 minutes that there was a strong exchange of views.

As he left Downing Street. Mr Lunkov told reporters: The Prime Minister tried to defend her position, but I acted on behalf of our President and explained to her and the Foreign Secretary our position (the Press Association reports).
"I confirmed especially this

fact: That we sent some limited military contingents to Afghanistan at the request of the Afghanistan Government. I categorically rejected some allegations made in this country, including by some of your col-leagues in the media, about a so-called Russian invasion."

Mr. Lunkov also said he told Mrs Thatcher that the Soviet milizary force would be with-drawn eventually from Afghan-

istan. He emphasized that it was a "bilateral matter" between Afghanistan and Rus-

Mr Lunkov denied that the meeting, which he called a "serious exchange of views", was hostile. "I think we have so many things in common. Both sides are interested in stability and peaceful coexistence."

Mrs Thatcher told the Ambassador of her "very serious concern" over Afghanistan and said she hoped there would be an early withdrawal of Soviet troops. She is also under-stood to have repeated her point that the only country involved in Afghanistan's internal affairs was the Soviet Union. Carrington tour: Lord Carring-

ton, the Foreign Secretary, is to go to Islamabad from January 14 to 16 (writes our Diplomatic Correspondent). Diplomatic Correspondent). The sim of his visit, during which he hopes also to go to India, is to reassure Britain's friends after the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan.

He will visit some other countries on the way, notably Oman and Turkey, and may also go to Saudi Arabia. Lord Carrington wants to ex-

press British concern and assure the leaders of these countries that they can count on their friends in the West.

Russia accuses Britain of aiding Afghan rebels

om Michael Bibyo

Moscow. Jan 3
The Russians todey accused President Carter of making bellicose and wicked" state-ments about Soviet policy in Afghanistan, which he had "maliciously attacked", distorting its essence and mean-

In its first public reaction since Mr Thomas Watson, the American Ambassador to Moscow, was recalled for con-sultations, the official Tass news agency accused the United States and the West of a "frenzied propaganda outcry" over the "collapse of the imperialist plans in Afghan-

This, Tass said, "breaks all records for hypocrisy and hes." It said it was remarkable that the most high-ranking figures of the Washington Administration had joined in the

The strongly worded commentary by a Tass political observer, authorized at the

cane and undertook a strenuous journey to the non-aligned nations conference in Havana. Since then he has kept a busy observer, authorized at the highest level, referred to the television interview on Monday in which President Carter said. Mr Brezhnev had not told him the truth about Afghanistan.

Tass did not mention this comment, but the savage tone of the arricle reflected Sovier. Last month he was host to the traditional annual hunting party for diplomats and was reported to be in excellent health. ing an unspecified ailment six pain and walking with a cane months ago.—AP.

invasion of Afghanistan was a distortion of the truth, Tass went on, repeating the claim that Soviet intervention was in keeping with the United Nations Charter and the military clauses in the Soviet-Afghan treaty of friendship.

The Russians had also never hidden the fact that they would not allow Afghanistan to be turned into a base for imperialist aggression. Tass accused the American

Central Intelligence Agency, together with British and Chinese secret services, training, arming and sending into Afghanistan "criminal gangs of terrorists—feudal landlords, moneylenders and other elements, who after the revolution lost the possibility of exploiting the Afghan people".

Washington was now calling for the withdrawal of what Tass referred to as the "limited Soviet military contingent" which would be used solely to help to repel interference in Afghanistan's affairs.

Calls had been made repeatedly to Washington and London to stop sending military units armed with Western weapons into Afghanistan from Pakistan, to end their interference, and to give up plans to stifle the

Continued on page 5, col 1

Steel union leaders yesterday held out the prospect of an early end to the national steel strike if the British Steel Cor-poration offers money in advance as an "enabling pay-ment" for a productivity

secretary, at Heathrow airport As the strike entered its second day with all iron and seed production in the public sector at a halt, there was confusion at BSC headquarters over what the unions were waymen and the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers

of the peace move by Mr Wil-lian Sirs, general secretary of lian Sirs, general section, the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation, but added: "We have got to get back into serious

ductivity on the table as an offer and we will see what will happen". He refused to say how much

about 5 per cent seems likely. That would be in addition to the 5 per cent offer the union rejected.
Mr Sirs added: "If the cor-

poration will not accept the challenge, then all I can say is that it is going to be a long, bard winter

Mr Sirs' initiative came to-wards the end of an eight-hour board meeting at BSC during position would be "very tight".

Which directors, including union

There has been no change in representatives, discussed the grave situation caused by the

he wanted to see the full text of Mr Sirs' statement before making any new moves, but he did not rule out the possibility of a meeting with the ISTC today. Dr David Grieves, a senior BSC executive, said that any money derived from the productivity scheme had to be earned.

Union support for the strike is increasing. Mr Sire said he had received promises of help

Terrorists nearly ruined Ulster. Mr Atkins says

From Our Correspondent Belfast

The terrorists in Northern Ireland had at one time in the past decade seemed as if they might succeed in destroying their society, Mr Humphrey Atkins, Secretary of State for the province, said in a broadcast fast night.

Germany and Japan. The International

Workers Federation announced

in Geneva that it had asked its

members throughout the world

to show solidarity with the British steel men. Mr Sirs is

due to meet Mr Herman Reb-

han, the federation's general

workers has called for the TUC

conference to be reconvened to

Mr Sirs said that the union's pickets would be tightening

their grip on steel stockholders

to try to prevent their stocks being distributed.

If it was found that stock-

cameras to get evidence against

haudiers transporting the steel.

Sir Charles Villiers said after the board meeting that the board had considered every

aspect of the very grave posi-

The board remains confident

that its contingency plans will be sufficient to meet all the consequences of the strike, al-

the tight financial constraints placed on BSC by the Govern-ment, which is refusing to fund

The board vesterday deferred

Industrial Editor writes

today to discuss tactics. They are also being supported by the National Union of Rail-

discuss the steel strike.

and Firemen, who are blacking steel shipments. The Kent area

offering.
Sir Charles Villiers, BSC chairman, said he had not heard of the National Union of Minenegotiations with our unions and I sincerely hope that the opening made by Mr Sirs will provide such an opportunity". holders were supplying cust-omers who normally bought direct from BSC, he said, pickets would be issued with

At a Press conference earlier Mr Sirs said: "They should put half of the amount for pro-

He did not rule out the possi-bility of flying pickets being was needed to call off the strike and continue negotiations, but

Sir Charles said last night that he wanted to see the full text of

operating losses beyond the end of March. any decision on its plans to demonstrated the principles of the decision of the battery in the eighteenth capacity in South Wales, but is expected to reach a decision and vinegar. But for the present, nuclear energy is likely the cheaper and technically and the cheaper and technically decision of the cheaper and technical te by the end of this month.

Between 11,000 and 15,000 to remain the cheaper and technically less demanding option.

And, the engineers point out, a small dry cell torch battery at 7p is still cheaper than a lemon.

"But there is a difference now", he said. The security forces are much more proficient than they were 10 years ago. Official Unionist call, page 3

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motor industry, from Dr D. W.

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Arts. page 7 David Robinson finds the Japanese family structure laid bare in the

new National Film Theatre season

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growing rift between America's

hlacks and Jews; Ian Bradley writes about the problem of volun-

writes about the problem of volun-teers during hospital strikes Obituary, page 12 Mr Patrick Huther, the Right Rev Dr E. R. Morgan Sport, pages 8, 9 Tennis: Nastase acts up again;

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active while news of talks resuming at BSC lifts equities and gilts after hours. The FT Index railied to close 0.1 off the 406.9

Rughes and others

DUSTRIOUS **UK** reserves up \$302m in December

Britain's gold and foreign currency reserves rose by \$302m (£136m) in December, reversing the four-month decline caused by exchange control relaxation and abolition. In 1970 official holdings of gold and foreign currency rose by more than \$7,000m, from \$15,694m (\$7,056m) to \$22,719m (510,215m). But, the figures exaggerate inflows into the United Kingdom and, because of the March revaluation, under value the gold holding Page 13

Pleas to guerrillas
Lord Soames and two leading Patriotic Front military commanders have been broadcasting appeals to guerrillas to report to assembly areas in Rhodesia by miduight toright. Page 5

Waldheim pledge I mians thrust their grievances upon Dr Kurt Waldheim, the United Nations Secretary General, who dodged demon-Thators at a Tehran cometery and then heard 500 angry invalids, casualties of the revolution, blame the United States for their sufferings. He promised to try

'Vipers' at Foreign Office-Mr Powell

Mr Enoch Powell attacked the Government's policy for Northern Ireland and condemned the Foreign Office as "that nest of vipers". He said it had been a source of continuous hostility to Unionism for years. The remarks will be seen as a last-minute defence of the Official Unionists' refusal to take part in the forthcoming constitutional conference (Our Political Correspondent writes) Page 3

Indian poll deaths

Three Harijans, formerly known as Untouchables, were shot dead in an election clash in a village in Uttar Pradesh. It was the most serious incident of violence during polling in 244 constituencies in the Indian general election. The second round of polling will be held on Sunday Page 4 Page 4 will be held on Sunday

Fire bomb alert

A fire bomb alert disrupted dealings on the Scottish Stock Exchange in Glas-gow for 45 minutes. The Exchange was evacuated after flames shot out of the bomb as two men examined it. They were not hurt. The building also contains the South African Consulate



Yangtse escape recalled: The breakout of the frigate HMS Amethyst (above) down the Yangtse river after being trapped for months by communist troops advancing in the closing stages of the civil war in China is related in the newly released Whitehall files for 1949.

Kidney aid pledged

Dr Gerard Vanghan, Minister of State for Health, promised that patients wait-ing for kidney transplant operations would not be put at risk because of lack of money in the National Health Ser-

Child care attacked

Plans for child health services in Liver-

pool are inept, shoddy and incompetent,

a report by two university lecturers says. Children are little more than "pawns" in a National Health Service game, they conclude. Page 3

Presidential rebuke for Italian minister

A despondent interview declaring that Italy's condition was so parlous as to be almost beyond hope has led to a rebuke for an Italian minister from President Pertini. Professor Massimo Giannini, who deals with administrative reform, told a Milan weekly that the country's institutions no longer functioned and forecast that economically "1980 will be the worst year in our history" Page 4 our history

Capsules banned: Tear gas "novelties" sold in joke shops judged to be capable of causing trouble at demon-strations or football matches 2

ordered: Static electricity makes document stick to magazine exhibit so judge halts Nottingham trial

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Corby flying pickets going to ports Children as to help enforce new union ban on movements of foreign steel

From Nicholas Timmins

Flying pickets from the Corby steelworks, in Northampton-shire, are due this morning at the docks at King's Lynn, Nor-folk, and Boston, Lincolnshire, to try to enforce a ban on the movement of imported steel

The pickets, 15 to each port, were ordered to the docks yesterday by the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation after 500 tonnes of Austrian and Dutch steel left the dockside at King's Lynn for the Midlands.

Later dockers at King's Lynn hanned the flow of foreign steel from the docks on the instructions of the Transport and General Workers' Union.

With all steel production in the British Steel Corporation halted, the feeling among the Corby steelworkers is that they need to stop steel movements throughout the country to try to shorten a dispute that many fear could be long and bitter.

At the Corby plant, where
5.500 jobs are to go because
steel making there is being stopped, the mood on the first two days of the strike has been one of grim determination, despite the prospect of unemployment for many only a few

With the battle to save steelmaking lost, they believe the 6 per cent pay offer is a slap the face. Asked how long they will stay out, the pickets remain at the plant's tube works, where BSC is investing

not for us. We are finished. It join the strike. is for those who are left

Mr Ivor Davis, aged 54, a locomorive man with 29 years' service, said: "We know the strike will do a lot of harm, but BSC has got to realize we cam-

not be messed about.

"The people have still to go to a shop and buy a loaf of bread, the same as the miners, who have just got 20 per cent. And I cannot see the bakers giving you a cheap loaf just because you are on a low

There is a strong feeling that the Government, after the miners sectlement, has taken on the traditionally moderate steelworkers as a soft option. In the town feeling over the strike is divided.

Many of the wives are wor-ried about the financial risks with redundancy ahead. Others more vehemently opposed to the pay offer than their men. But many of those not directly involved in the steelworkers are cutting their own

Many of the women are wor-ried that the strike will affect the £30m severance agreement signed last week, which will provide sums rauging from about £6,000 a year to more than £20,000 for a few skilled

men with long service.
Mr Michael Skelton, ISTC strike coordinator, said the ance from the management that the payments would not be re-455m. duced by the strike. He added
Mr Robert Scone, an ISTC that some of the 1,200 blast-

Mr William Sirs, of the ISTC, and Mr Hector Smith, of the

Jobs at risk' if imports are barred

holders was announced by Mr

William Sirs, general secretary

of the Iron and Steel Trades

would be directed primarily at any stockholder who attempted

who normally bought from BSC.

vital link in the supply chain between steel producers and customers. They account for about 40 per cent of deliveries

to the United Kingdom market

and they have about 16 weeks of supplies in stock at normal

stockholders, one in the North-

Limited picketing of two

Another area in which diffi-

culties might occur is the coke

ovens complex at Redcar. It

was necessary to produce a minimum amount of coke to

keep the fires burning properly. That was being done with the blastfurnacemen's help. If the coke ovens went cold it would

be impossible to produce coke

In other parts of the north no new trouble arose yesterday.

Companies importing steel for

private industry were not impeded in discharging vessels

for steelmaking.

at Goole.

rates of consumption.

Stockholders represent the

blastfurnacemen's union, at a London press conference vesterday.

branch secretary in a section to furnacemen who had been be closed, said: "The strike is going to work now agreed to

Mr Harold Ford, BSC's Corby group director, said yesterday: "We made an agree-ment and we shall honour it. The only way we would not is if the strike went on and on and the corporation was utterly

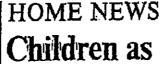
Public houses in the town are already beginning to feel the pinch, although most shops report that trading is still good. For the long term they are surprisingly optimistic, partly because of the redundancy pay ments and because of the aggressive attitude of the district council and the Corby Development Corporation.

Those bodies yesterday announced plans that they believe will bring 5,000 new jobs to the town by the end of 1982; about enough to match those lost from the steel works.

Our King's Lynn Correspondent writes: Mr James Bowman, the Dockers' Branch Chairman, said of the TGWU ban on lorry movement that from 1 pm today no steel will come off the docks. "We asked the management not to agree to the movement of steel until we have a meeting with our district officer. The management agreed.

Mr Maurice Loades, chairman of a King's Lynn shipping line and head of a haulage firm, said he hoped to discribute 400 connes of foreign steel to the Midlands today.

imported steel means survival to the port of King's Lynn. A ban on it will have far-reaching effects for both dockers and lorry drives.



By John Roper Health Services Correspondent

petuates past mistakes, a report

by two university lecturers said

The report is an evaluation

trade unions of a working party's proposals which the

health authority

authors, Mr

Alaszewski, a lecturer in health

administration, and Mr Daniel Vulliamy, a lecturer in applied economics at Hull University,

conclude that children as patients are "little more than

Their evaluation accuses the working party of basing its con-

clusions on false assumptions and says that, if implemented,

and revenue savings over-estimated. The working party's

sums were so poorly composed that the rationality of the rationalization proposed was in

Nothing has been learnt, the

authors say, from the costly fiasco of the new Royal Liverpool Hospital, which cost £51m, far more than the original estimate, resulted in 210 fewer beds, but cost £1,200,000 a year

more to run than hospitals it

replaced.
The working party advocated

substantial changes, concentra-ting all secondary care for

children at one hospital, Alder

Hey. Services now provided by three other hospitals would end. The cuts, the authors say, are guaranteed but the develop-

ments were not. There was a notable lack in the working party's report of serious con-sideration of alternatives.

Apart from one item, the backlog of maintenance, the

small teaching hospital had not been costed. Maintenance would

There was no provision in the working party's estimates for

the costs of equipment. In its

tions the working party had lost 20 beds. That meant that after Heswall hospital closed in 1982, 20 mentally handicapped chil-dren would have no beds.

The working party, in the

author's view, was dominated by medical consultants, and evi-

dence was largely taken from

doctors. Only one nurse gave evidence, and none was sought

fuel transporter

ous nuclear fuel will no longer

have to be driven through towns and villages on a 60-mile jour-

ney from the Scottish borders to the nuclear fuel reprocessing

complex at Windscale, Cumbria.

Three times a week British Nuclear Fuels send irradiated

reactor fuel on an eight-hour journey from the Chapeleross power station, near Annan, Dumfries and Galloway, to Windscale for reprocessing.

But if today's motorway run

is successful the transporters,

known locally as " coffins ", will

90 tons will be put chrough its Cockermouth.
paces in a motorway test today.
And if the transporter, which take the "collaborated suitable for motorway travel then potentially danger-

Motorway test for nuclear

take a new route, cutting out sure other drivers know what Carlisle, Thursby, Aspatria, is in front of them.

from other NHS staff.

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will

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Tear-gas capsules sold in joke shops for amusement are banned

Political Correspondent

Tear-gas capsules, imported shops for "amusement or entertainment" but capable of being used at demonstrations or Plans to rationalize child health services in Liverpool are football matches to cause dismept, shoddy and incompetent, and an example of how the National Health Service perturbance, are now banned under the Tear-Gas Capsules (Safety) Order, which was recently examined by the Commons and Lords joint committee on stantory instruments. The committee's report was

published yesterday.

It describes how Mr F. W. Stacey, assistant secretary, and Mr A. M. Susman, senior legal assistant, Department of Trade, were called to explain the order.

A memorandum from the department stated that the definition of "tear-gas capsule" was restricted to an article intended "to afford amusement to any person by causing dis-comfort." The committee was told: "The definition is so limited because the purpose the order was to prohibit the supply of tear-gas capsules as its proposals will not save money but in the end cost the NHS millions of pounds. Capital costs of the proposed investment were underestimated

war, thought it would have been from Germany and sold in joke advisable to omit altogether the purpose for which the capsules were sold. He added:

Mr Susman said that the design or intention was that of the supplier, not the pur-chaser, and all such sales would be prohibited. "If these capsules sold in joke shops were purchased by people not intending to use them as practical jokes but to cause trouble at football matches or to use them as weapons at political demonstrations, the fact that the shopkeeper sold them as jokes is what matters and the purchasers' intention would not take them outside the purchasers'

Mr (now Sir) Graham Page, Conservative MP for Crosby, who is a solicitor, wanted to know if there was any other law under which persons could

Lord Segal, who was in the to offences against the person RAF medical branch during the would cover such cases. The would cover such cases. The order related only to the supply of capsules. No other Jegislation would cover the

supply of capsules Lord Airedale asked whether it was not true, under the order as it stood, that the shopkeeper could say to customers: have these capsules in stock. Had you been going to use them as a joke I would not have supplied them, because if did I would commit an offence Since you say you will use them to disrupt Lord Soper's meeting on Tower Hill it is all right, you can have as many as you like since you will not be using them to amuse

anybody."
Mr Susman said the shopkeeper would be caught by the order because the offence was to "supply, offer to supply, agree to supply, expose for supply or possess for supply any injurious tear-gas capsule?". be prosecuted for throwing tear-gas capsule A Department of Trade official said last night that the order was made because there was a serious danger of damage to the eyes of children and others.

cendiary_device. Mr Brown said: "The moment I touched it the box blew open with a bang and flames shot out like fireworks on a Guy Fawkes night, only lot more frightening". Mr John Gibson, the assis

Fire bomb

clears stock

exchange

From Our Correspondent

More than 500 employees in

he Scottish Stock Exchange

brokers' offices and in the

consulate were evacuated by

police from the building in Si

George's Place, in the centre

of Glasgow, yesterday when an

incendiary bomb was found in

a lane used as a tradesmen's

entrance and as a fire exit for

A box was examined by Mr James Brown, aged 59, the com-

missionaire and by Mr James Dunn, aged 74, the caretaker,

and when they opened the box.

which they said resembled a toolbox, flames shot out. A bomb disposal squad confirmed

it to be a fully detonated in

African Government

alert

South

the offices.

tant general manager of the Stock Exchange, said that the box had been noticed for the past one or two days. "The two men decided that they should have a look at it. There was a sizzling noise, a bang, followed by a puff of smoke and flames."

It was decided immediately to evacuate the building and clear the market floor of the exchange.

Police sealed off the area and

Police sealed off the area and said that they were keeping an open mind on who might be responsible for the incident.

Det Chief Supt Alistair Macrae, joint head of Strath-clyde CID, said: "The two employees who touched the device before telling us about it were very fortunate. Had it been an explosive they could have been blown sky-high. As it have been blown sky-high. As it is, we have only fragments which are now being examined

at the forensic laboratory.
"We have no idea for whom it was intended. Not only is there the Stock Exchange and the South African consulate in the building but there are other offices adjacent within the same premises, the KLM (Dutch airline), and the Pakistan Airline offices, for

Heart patient out of intensive care Mr Andrew Barlow, aged 29,

who had a heart transplant at Papworth Hospital, Cambridge, in November, was moved yes-terday from the intensive care unit to a single room.

His visitors will still have to wear masks but no longer gowns. A hospital official said the change of room indicated continuing satisfactory pro-

Helicopter lifts bodies from raft

and a young woman were re-covered from a liferaft 60 miles south-west of Land's End yesterday by an RAF helicopter from Culdrose.

They were spotted on Wednesday by a Spanish fishing boat but could not be lifted on board because they were too decomposed. They were wearing the tattered remains of yachting

Dr Vaughan promises kidney aid

By John Roper

Health Services Correspondent
Dr Gerard Vaughan, Minister of State for Health, said
yesterday that in future patients
waiting for a kidney transplant
operation would not be put at
risk because of lack of more in the National Health Service.

Bis assurance was given to patients at Dulwich Hospital, south-east London, who, led by Mr Michael Bewick, a consultant surgeon who specializes in kidney transplants, marched to the Department of Health headquarters in London to pro-

until next April to save money. Dr Vaughan said that he might not be able to help immediately. But he was meeting Mrs Elizabeth Ward, president of the British Kidney Patient Association, on Monday to discuss an offer of help. The association has agreed to pay for bidney transplant operation. kidney transplant operations at the hospital until March 31.

The Dulwich patients handed a letter to Dr. Vaughan saying that the commissioners who had taken over the running of the area after the health authority had been dismissed for not im plementing cuts in services were attempting to break the Tory party promise not to reduce services to patients in order to save money.

The proposed route would

take the "coffins" along the M6 to Penrith and on the A66

to west Cumbria.

British Nuclear Fuels said:

the fuel on the present route quite safely for twenty years. We are thinking about the

change nor because there is any

radiological hazard but because

it would remove the incon-venience to village life

only at 12 mph, and normally the lowest speed for motorway

traffic is 25 mph. The obvious danger is that someone could crash into the back of one of these, but we will be sending

an escort vehicle to try to make

"The transporters can move

We have been transporting

Sixth-form colleges 'an institutionalized error' whole system would continue

From Diana Geddes Education Correspondent

Durham distinction orimary, secondary and further education was harmful and should be abandoned, Mr Harry Judge, Director of the Department of Educational Studies at Oxford University, told the North of England conference on education in Durham yester-

day.
Sixth forms should be abolished and educationists should think and plan only in terms of a 16-plus border between compulsory and post-compulsory education, he said. Secondary education was still regarded as essentially an 11-18 operation and education for 11 to 16-year-olds was seen primarily as an antercom to the sixth form, with its accept on the academic as opposed to the

technical or utilitarian. Comprehensive reorganizahad not resulted in the abolition of the grammar school so much as in the abolition of the secondary modern

to be tuned to inappropriate values. Fewer "second-rate academic snobs" and more students with technical skills, were needed, Mr Judge said. Educational provision for the

16 to 19 age group should be made in tertiary colleges pro-viding both academic and vocational courses, and not in sixth-form colleges, which were an institutionalized error. That error was that thinking was more important than doing and that a sixth-form college was superior to any other college of further education.

Mr Judge said mandatory grants for degree students should be abolished and the resources redistributed across a wider age range and among all types and levels of courses. If the uniquely privileged the uniquely privileged salaried university students dis-appeared, so much the better. The present 16-19 "mess"

was directly responsible for a scandalous waste of resources and talent, Mr Judge said. He called on the Government to give some direction, without de-Until sixth forms were tailed interference, to the sys-removed from schools the tem it ultimately controlled.

£500m 'hidden subsidy' given to private schools

The Government is funding the private sector of education by an estimated £500m a year through hidden subsidies, an

pendent schools, local authority funding of places and allow-ances for the Armed Forces and diplomatic staff are the main ways the Government is contributing financially to

private education, it says. Last year the subsidy amounted to at least £350m, but a more likely figure was £500m and "the bottom of the barrel has still to be reached", it

The article, by Mr Rick Rodgers, an education corres-pondent, is published in Where, the journal of the educational charity, the Advisory Centre for Education, based in east

It aims to provide information about the education service.

"There is still colossal ignor-

the education service, how to set about choosing a school or finding a pre-school place how through hidden subsidies, an to get a grant and so on." Mr article published yesterday Peter Newell, the centre's direc-In another article the maga

ance about the complexities of

zine says that the "fast food industry" is ready to pounce when the Education Bill, now in committee stage, becomes law and leaves local authorities free to abolish school meals. Left to their own devices

many children will "buy sugary and/or fatty snacks for lunch", Ms Caroline Walker, a nutritionist, says. Claims denied: Mr Timothy Devlin director of the Independent Schools Information Ser-

vice, said last night the centre's figures were "grossly unfair, highly speculative, completely muddled and utterly one-sided" (the Press Association reports).

Weather forecast and recordings

The bodies of a young man

Correction

In the recent Hertfordshire, Southwest, by-election, Labour retained 61 per cent of its vote 10 May, 1979, not 80 per cent as stated in an article by Ivor Crewe on December 15.

North-east battle to keep huge furnace burning From Ronald Kershaw

face the prospect of increased Confederation. The tightening

picketing by striking steel of the grip, he emphasized, workers. Intensification of would be directed primarily at

supply difficulties for key steel to deliver steel to customers

take action over the strike. east and another in Sheffield, The move against stock- is already taking place.

From Ronald Kershaw

Leeds

One of the most critical features of the steel strike in the North-east is the effect it is likely to have on the huge blast furnace at the British Steel Corporation's Redcar works.

"We believe we are doing all we can, but one can never be 100 per cent sure," he said. "If it did go cold it would take a very long time to get it back into operation. If things go well we could have it back in a fortnight." Corporation's Redcar works.

It is the biggest in Europe

Industrial Editor Britain's steel stockholders

picketing could quickly lead to

ising industries that tradition-

ally have bought supplies direct from the British Steel Cor-

The move coincided yesterday with a warning by Sir Richard Marsh, chairman of the British

Iron and Steel Consumers' Council that many more jobs in industry could be at risk if

foreign competitors were per-suaded by British trade unions

to take action over the strike.

and ranks among the most modern in the world. It produces 10,000 tonnes of iron a day for steelmaking, employs 437 people, and had it not been for the strike it would have produced 18 to 20 million tonnes of iron in the first five years of operation. The BSC is particularly

anxious to acknowledge the help of the National Union of Blastfurnacemen in damping down the furnace and in providing agreed manning levels to ensure that the furnace is not permitted to go cold. The entire steelmaking fort in the North-east

depends on the big blast furnace, which is the sole source of supply of iron for A BSC official said that the corporation did not have

Shorton Picketing is being stepped up

at the Shotron steelworks, on

Deeside, Durham, and from this morning the strikers will be

sses, not to enter the plant.

A firm of shipping agents said, however, that it had suffered slightly because no sizel for BSC was being handled. At Sheffield, Teesside and Scunthorpe BSC works no new experience of a furnace of that initiatives were expected be-size and therefore could not be cause of productivity deals absolutely sure what might offered by the managing the decision for solidarity was

esterday a meeting of the worse today as the pickets ask British Steel Corporation's deci-I craftsmen who are not in to see passes that have been sion to stop iron and steel mak-

the Shotton works. They are allowed into the plant to loss of 6,400 jobs.

Shotton strikers step up their picket

rrying to persuade all emito stop every car arriving at the ployees, including management, gates and this has caused traffic ther than those holding special congestion for several miles.

id in the dispute was held issued to selected workers who

Worldwide plea for support of metalworkers From Peter Norman Brussels, Jan 3

voted to continue working at carry out safety and health

least until next Monday, when maintenance. Shop stewards re-there will be further national presenting the craft workers

talks on their pay claim.

Since the steel strike began pickets have been attempting to stop every car arriving at the gates and this has caused traffic among the Shotton strikers, who have already angered by the

The International Metal-workers Federation in Geneva announced today that it has asked its member trade unions throughout the world to show solidarity with the striking steel workers in Britain.

Mr Kurt Casserini, the

In a letter to Mr Leu Murray,

general secretary of the Trades

Union Congress said that about a fifth of steel used in the

Sir Richard said that what-ever the merits of the dispute with BSC, "it cannot make any

kind of sense to place at risk

the jobs of some four million

trade unionists employed in the British steel-using industry who

are not involved and cannot in-

fluence the outcome of the pre-

Elsewhere the effect of the dispute is being felt already. In South Wales the National Coal Board face sever stockpiling but the NCB has decided not to but of any miner. "for

not to lay off any miners "for the time being".

federation's assistant general secretary, said that the federa-tion had sent telex messages to all its members asking them to prevent the shipment of steel to the United Kingdom.

He said that Mr Herman Rebhan, the federation's general secretary, would be in London to mear Mr William.

tomorrow to meet Mr William Sirs, the general secretary of the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation, and the two men would be holding a joint press conferençe,

It emerged today that the international Metal-workers Federation has been kept informed of developments by the British iron and steel trade unions from the time that strike seemed probable. Mr Sirs was in Luxembourg last week meeting fellow trade

Woman freed by | Motor cyclist to Turks wants to return for trial Mrs Abide Mehmet flew

Christmas, were further re-

manded in custody until next

Thursday. The four men were: Robert Storey, aged 23, of Riversdale Park South, Belfast:

home to London yesterday after spending more than four months in an Istanbul jail and promised to return to face trial for allegedly insulting the Turkish

Mrs Mehmet, aged 41, of West Green Road, north Lon-don, arrived at Heathrow airport after British consulate officials negotiated her release from the notorious Sagmalcilar prison. She was arrested for swearing at an airport official in a dispute over an aircraft

family raised £470 bail, but has to face trial in March in Istanbul, where she could be sentenced to six years in prison. At Heathrow Mrs Mehmet said she would return to face trial. "I shall be pleased to go back to the trial, I have nothing to hide", she said. "I have been treated very

well over the past months. They were all right to me once the incident at the airport was

New charge against seven An additional charge of aid- firearms and ammunition, having the escape of a prisoner ing no firearms certificates, and was listed against four men and withholding information about three women who appeared on acts of terrorism.

Court, London, yesterday on accused of withholding inforcharges relating to alleged mation, Margaret Parsacret reprofism. The severe when the severe with the terrorism. The seven, who were 33, of Woodland Way. Whet-arrested in police raids before stone, and Jacqueline O'Malley, aged 30, of Willsham Street, Notting Hill, both London, are further charged with conspiring to cause an explosion. The third woman remanded was Christine Attersdale Park South, Beltast: woman remanded was Christine and Richard Glenholmes, aged 45, John Campbell, aged 37, and Getald Tuize, aged 24, all of Holland Park, London. They were accused of conspiring to cause explosions, possessing in court.

pay £1,000 in compensation From Our Correspondent

Ludlow A motor cyclist who was said to have driven his new machine at 40 mph through

the plate-glass doors of an hotel after being ejected from a dance was ordered to pay £1,000 in compensation magistrates at Ludiow, Salop, y**e**sterday. Christopher William Shingler, aged 27, of Whitton, near Ludlow, admitted causing crim-

inal damage of £1,158, assault causing bodily harm, and driving with excess alcohol in the blood. Mr Charles Sainter, for the defence, said: "Ninety-nine per cent of the time he is an ordinary, intelligent, hard-working individual, but on rare

Mr Shingler was fined £75 on the criminal damage charge. placed on probation for three years for assault, and disqualified from driving for 18 months for driving with excess alcohol.

occasions he loses control of

hircself ".

clearer and mostly dry later; wind SW or W, fresh or strong; max temp 6° to 8°C (43° to 46°F). Sun rises: Sun sets: 8.6 am 4.5 pm SW England, Wales, Isle of Man, N Ireland: Bright or sunny Moon sets : Moon rises : 9.9 am 6.37 pm Man, N Ireland: Bright or sunny intervals and showers: wind mainly W. moderate or fresh max temp 7° to 9°C (45° to 48°F). Lake District, SW Scotland, Glasgow, Argyll: Rain soon clearing to bright or sunny intervals and scattered showers; wind SW, veering W. moderate or fresh; max temp 6° of 7°C (43° to 45°F). NE and NW Scotland, Borders, Edinburgh, Dunder, Aberdeen, 6.37 pm Last quarter: Japuary 10. Last quarter: January 10.
Lighting up: 4.35 pm to 7.36 am
High water: London Bridge, 2.54
am, 7.1m; 3.14 pm, 7.2m; 8.43 pm,
13.0m, Dover, 12.5 pm, 6.4m, Hull,
7.21 am, 6.9m; 7.28 pm, 7.1m,
Liverpool, 12.8 am, 9.0m; 12.24
pm, 9.2m.
A complex system of frontal
troughs will move E across the

country.
Forecasts for 6 am to midnight: London, SE, central S, NW, central N England, Midlands, Channel Islands; Rain at times, soon clearing to bright or sunny intervals and scattered showers;

wind SW, voering W, moderate or fresh; max temp 6° to 8°C (43° to 46°F). East Anglia, E, NE England: Outlook for tomorrow and Sun-Rain in places with hill fog, day: Some rain in places, perhaps

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain ; s, sun ; sn, snow.

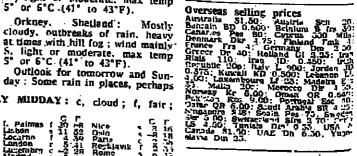
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Edinburgh, Dunder, Aberdeen, Central Highlands, Moray Firth

turning to sleet or snow in E, chiefly over hills; W parts are likely to become mostly dry: ranger cold in E, temp near normal

Yesterday

Lestelliny
London: Temp: max 6 am to 6
pm, 7°C (45°F): min 6 pm to 6
am, -1°C (30°F). Humidity, 6
pm, 93 per cent. Rain, 24 hr to 6
pm, 0.31in. Sun, 24 hr to 6 pm,
nil. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm,
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Mr Powell attacks Foreign Office as 'that nest of vipers'

By George Clark Political Correspondent

In a trenchant attack on the Government's policy for Northern Ireland, which he said was more disastrous than the actions of the Heath government in 1972 and 1973, Mr Enoch Powell, Official Ulster Unionist MP for Down, South, In saying that the yesterday said the source of continuous hostility to Unionism for years had been "that Powell assured his audience nest of vipers, that nursery of traitors, which is known as the

British Foreign Office ". Addressing the local Orange Lodge at Dundonald, Co Down, Mr Powell said: "To the Foreign Office the fact that five-sixths of the inhabitants of this province are, and intend to remain investigations." to remain, integrally citizens of the United Kingdom, is less than nothing.

"Its thoughts are not of us. Its eyes and its affections are fixed outside the realm, on Dublin, on Brussels, on Varican, and above all on Washington, DC, for whose favour and delectation this province is to be offered up as a sacrifice if the arts of skulduggery will avail to do the

Mr Powell said that the public had been reading a lot about the American CIA recently. One needs to be an innocent to be unaware, after all that has happened, that so far as Ulster is concerned the CIA, with its clumsiness and its crudities. has nothing to teach the Foreign

"What bribes, what threats, what agents provacateurs, what corruption, what undercover agents can achieve, for that in lister you may put your bottom dollar on the Foreign Office." In what will be seen as a last-minute defence of the Official Universely referred to the Official Unionists' refusal to take part in the forthcoming constitutional conference proposed by Mr Humphrey Atkins, the Secretary

RUC reservist

in front of boy

A reserve policeman

murdered yesterday in the village of Newtonburler, on the

co Fermanagh border, in front

Mr Robert Crilly, aged 60, was shot while working on a car in the garage he owned.

Police said a red estate car drove slowly down the main

garage forecourt. Two men got

out and fired several bullets

and pulled into the

The boy was helping him.

murdered

of a boy aged 12.

of State for Northern Ireland, Mr Poweli ran through the course of events since October and contrasted the Government's open stance now with Mrs. Thatcher's declared aims at the general election. She had asserted that her great object for Northern Ireland would be to

that he did not have in mind the Provisional IRA. Appalling though their deeds had been, they had done nothing to shake the union. On balance, over the post 10 lears they had Grengthened it. The danger urengthened it. The danger was from the Government of the United Kingdom.

That was the unambiguous significance of the political initilative announced on October 24, which was to have its first instalment at Stormont next week. The only possible consequence, and therefore the intended consequence, of that action, was to work towards the

destruction of the union.

Mr Powell gave what he called "proof positive" of that.

The Government had said that it wished to introduce changes for governing Ulster; well and good. It went on, however, to say that it wanted maximum political agreement among the parties to those

changes.
"Whose agreement?" Mr Powell asked. "Not Unionist agreement, of whatever brand. If the changes are to be such as will evidently strengthen the union. Unionist agreement was there for the asking. Indeed, without even the need to ask. "No. the agreement which e Government seeks, and

which it has set up a confer-ence in order to show the world that it seeks, is the agreement of the SDLP. That was the indispensable ingredient. All others could, at a pinch, be done without.

Mr Charles Haughey, Prime

Minister of the Irish Republic.

has scrapped a £4m project to

home in Phoenix Park, Dublin.

A Government spokesman

Mr Haughey axes planned £4m official home

establish a new Prime Minister's

said yesterday that the project had been called off because of the economic situation. The architects, Evans and Shaley, of London, will not lose the 56,000 prize their design won last year in a competition for

Stormont's return urged by Official **Unionists**

From Our Correspondent

liament at Stormont, with a range of powers in line with those assigned to Northern Ireland by the Government of Ireland Act, 1920, and controlled by a Cabinet.

tive strengths of the parties in the House. The party proposes that the United Kingdom Government should be responsible for the

government is "undemocratic, uneconomic, insensitive, ineffi-

of Northern Ireland are right-fully entitled to have a local democratic as that which exists in Great Britain."

The Official Unionist Party. the constitutional conference on the political future of Northern Ireland, due to open in Belfast on Monday, has submitted pro-posals to the Prime Minister which it believes would form a volved government in the pro-

half of the chairmonships. It is now proposed that both committee members and chair-men should reflect the respec-

defence and security of the land frontier, air corridors and

The power to raise revenue by taxation would remain at Westminster but the proceeds of taxation raised in Northern Ireland would be paid into the Northern Ireland Exchequer

The memorandem says that the present system of local government is "undemocratic.

government system equally as

leader of the party, said that some "loyalist" politicians had been brainwashed and were falling into the snares which had been set for them.

vince.

Safeguards and remedies against discrimination on religious or political grounds would be maintained as in other parts

the convention report of four years ago, which has been rejected by the Government and by the Labour Party. The prospects of its being accepted as a working model by the coming convention are remote. If anything, it would seem that the Official Unionist Party is taking a firmer line against power sharing than it did four years ago, when the propusal in the previous report was that the members of the committees would be drawn half from the government side and half from

cient and bureaucratic".

It declares: "As citizens of the United Kingdom the people

Outlining the proposals in Belfast, Mr James Molyneaux,

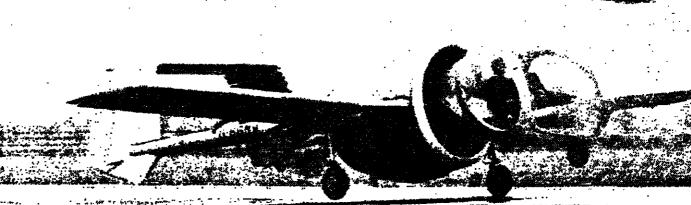
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which has chosen not to attend basis for the restoration of de-

The plan provides for the return of a single-chamber par-

of the United Kingdom.
The proposals follow closely

the Opposition, and that the Opposition would have at least



The insect-like Optica observation aircraft taking off into the 1980s at the Cranfield Institute of Technology yesterday. Nicknamed Bug-eye, it has been built, designed and financed by Mr John Edgley

Fears of more Welsh 'second home' arson

Laucaster

More second homes in Wales may be destroyed by people who resent outsiders coming in, the annual conference of the Institute of British Geographers was told at Lancaster University

Mr Haydo Williams, deputy director for Wales of the Nature Conservancy Council, delivering a paner on conservation in the national parks of Wales, said: "A number of second homes in Wales have recently been destroyed by fire. There will be

The incidents, although regrettable, were a reflection of the attitudes of people in rural areas against outside interference, he said.

In reconciling the different viewpoints of conservationists and those who live and work in

ter, possibly paying farmers and others extra money for the trouble involved

A healthy and self-sufficient resident rural population was essential. The difficulties of the hill areas throughout Britain were well known. In Wales much of the attraction of the national parks lay in the dis-tinct Welsh culture, most appar-ent in Snowdonia, the western

area of the Brecon Beacons and the Preselv nills, in Dyfed.

"The needs of active manage-ment in the parks are great, but the labour force available is limited by number and be finlimited by number and by fin-ance. Perhaps we can learn from the under-populated countries, such as Iceland.

"There, apart from their nor-mal jobs in the remoter areas, other tasks such as road maintenance, telephone line check-ing and repair and rescue services are carried out, often for areas such as national parks, it payment, by the sparse resident was essential to involve the lat-

Retrial shock as document sticks to exhibit

A retrial was ordered in a Bustander and the Nortingham ase at Nortingham Crown Observer. The trial will concase at Nottingham Crown Court yesterday because of static electricity.

Mr Brian Appleby, QC, for the prosecution, said that a document the jury should not have seen became firmly stuck to a copy of the Tatler maga-zine which was handed to the jury as an exhibit. The hitch came on the second day of the trial of four

businessmen who are accused

of conspiracy to defraud adver-

tinue today. The defendants are Guy Alexander Wayte, aged 71, managing director of the magazines, of Colston Bassett Hall. near Nottingham; Arthur Cyril Dewey, aged 54, chartered accountant, of Victoria Road, West Bridgford, Nottingham; Michael James Campbell, aged deputy managing director. of The Park, Nottingham; and Leonard Albert Sutton, aged 57, printing foreman, of Park Road, Loughborough, Leicestershire, All four have pleaded not falsely inflating figures of two

The state of the professions—3: Impact of trade unions

Crisis of ethics in call to strike

There is nothing new in the trade unionization of the pro-fessions. The National Union of Teachers was set up 100 years ago this year In 1915 Arnold Bennett commented about doctors and lawyers that "their two great unions are among the most vicious opponents of social progress in Britain today".

In the past 10 years there has

been an increasing move among the professions to join large trade unions affiliated to the TUC, Mr Clive Jenkins says that his Association of Scientific, Technical and Managerial Staffs recruits 10,000 professional workers every year. They are mostly scientists, although he says there are also 6,000 doctors in the association. Members of the United Kingdom Association of Professional Engineers have just voted in a ballot to join the Electrical.

Electronic, Telecommunication and Plumbing Union. Most of the architects, accountants, lawyers and social workers employed in local government have joined the National and Local Government Officers Associa-There have been two main reasons for the unionization of

the professions. The labour legislation of the mid-1970s against discriminated unionized employees and made it advantageous for professional workers to join trade unions. At the same time, many in the pro-fessions were worried about their declining pay and status and felt that they were losing out to highly organized and unionized groups of workers. There is considerable debate Staffs, a small union which re-within the professions about presents scientists working in

conflicts with maintaining pro-fessional erhics. Many doctors are unhappy about a recent article in the British Medical Journal which preed them to seek help from non-professional unions in the health service to organize demonstrations against

There is also disquiet about the following statement which appears in the latest handbook of medical ethics issued by the British Medical Association: "Those who maintain that it is always unethical for a professional man to withdraw his services, which in the view of many is the only effective weapon available to him when persuasion fails, are in danger of accepting for doctors a posi-tion of subservience to their employers that would event-ually preclude them from main-taining their professional stan-

Some argue that it is positively a good thing for members of the professions to join unions. The Rev Neil Richardson, vicar of St Hugh's Church, Oldham. Greater Manchester, and a leading member of the group of 80 clergymen in ASTMS, believes that the professions should not be exempt from what is an important fact of life for most other working

people. Opinious differ as to whether professional associations should turn themselves into trade unions, as the BMA has done. Dr Maurice Gillibrand. a chemist and executive secre-Association of Management and Professional Staffs, a small union which re-

industry, feels that they should not. He says: "The charters of professional institutions require them to look after the standards of the profession and take regard for the public interest, not to negotiate between the members and their employers. Unions have quite a different

role, to represent their meni-bers' interests. They do not include the public interest in their terms of reference." There is also considerable de bate as to whether the professions should have their own unions or join the large con-glomerate unions affiliated to the TUC. Dr Gillibrand strongly advocates the former approach.

The British Association of Social Workers takes a similar riew. It has recently set up a British Union of Social Work-ers, because, in the words of Mr Christopher Andrews, its secretary: "We were worried that Nalgo was not sufficiently interested in professional standards and practice.

Mr Clive Jenkins, however, belives that the interests of professional workers are better served by joining a large conglomerate union like his own rather than forming their own specialized professional union. e describes the BMA as ineffective" and says that the idea of the 40-hour week contract for junior hospital doctors originated in ASTMS. He also says that he would always respect the wishes of proessional groups such as speech

therapists and radiographers

not to come our on strike and that ASTMS would never force

them to withdraw their services.

Tomorrow: A Common Voice

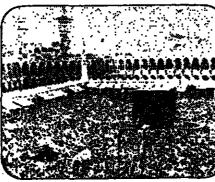
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can air their views.

Programmes made by London Weekend Television, the ITV station for the London area on-air every weekend from 7pm Friday until closedown on Sunday.

How Amethyst broke out of the Yangtse

The most heroic story in the newly released Whitehall files for 1949 is the daring escape of and the frigate HMS Amethyst down ship. the Yangtse river after being trapped for three months by communist troops advancing in the final stages of the Chinese

civil war.
The Admiralty files contain vivid eye-witness accounts of the incident on April 20, 1949. wifen Amethyst was fired upon to he and forced aground. The high policy of the episode is also revealed in Foreign Office televian? grams reflecting secret diplo-matic efforts to free her: The matter reached the Cabinet on April 26 and June 23.

Ironically, an extract from the Chiefs of Staff Committee, whose minutes are not yet available at the Public Record Office. Kew, was slipped inside the Admiralty file ADM 1/21508. It shows there was defeatism in high places about the chance of the ship making a dash for free-dom. The minute for April 22

records:
Sir John Edelsten [Vice-Chief of
the Naval Staff] told the committee of the latest developments id tee of the latest developments in the incident in the Yangtze river. He said that thanks to a galiant effort on the part of a Sunderland flying boat, a doctor with some medical supplies had now reached HMS Amethyst. The ship was now anchored a few miles upriver from where the incident had happened. The problem of what to do with the ship however remained to be solved. The bostile what to do with the ship however remained to be solved. The hostile hatteries were spread out along some 12 miles of the northern bank between her and the open ara... Although HMS Amethyst was capable of 17 knots, and although the remaining 40 of her crew now left on board could steam the ship, it was out of the question for her to run the gauntlet.

initial assault on Amerityst had led to 17 men being killed, including the commanding officer. Comcommanding officer. Com-mander John Kerans, assistant naval attaché at the Nanking Embassy, for which Amethysi was carrying supplies on a regular replemishment run, took

his place. Negotiations to free the ship dragged on frustlessly Condion hoard deteriorated. Food was running out and fuel

could not be used to mitigate the stifling summer heat. Rati mosquitoes infested the

Commander Kerans decided to try to break out to the open sea 140 miles away before his fuel ran out. Amethyst's code books had been destroyed when the communists first opened fire for fear of them falling into their hands, Messages had to he sent in clear. How, then, could Commander Kerans seek permission to carry out his

On July 7, he signafled Admiral Sir Patrick Brind, Commander-in-Chief, Far East Station, asking what he should do in the event of a typhoon. Sir Patrick concluded he must be planning a breakout. He replied that "the golden rule of making an offing and taking plenty of searcom applies". Commander Kerans now felt free to go shead. The night of July 30 was chosen, as the moon would set shortly before midnight. The Yangtse was brim-ming with melrwater flowing down from the Himalayas and

Amethyst could proceed at a greater speed with a good chance of clearing the constantly shifting sandbenks. A summary of Admiralty sig-nals makes it clear that their Lordships in London had no idea of the plan until the last moment. Lord Fraser of North Cape, First Sea Lord, informed Sir Patrick that a "breskout should not be attempted with-out reference" to the Admiral-ty. He replied: "Too late to stop Amethyst now."

After coming under heavy fire and clearing a boom at Kiangyin, 50 miles downstream, Amethyst reached the sea and sent the famous signal: "Have rejoined the fleet. No damages casualties. God save the

George VI replied with a tele gram to the crew preserved in the newly released files: "Hearty congratulations on their daring exploit to rejoin George R"

Tomorrow: The day the admirals saved the Royal Marines and the Wrens.



Inhabitants of Terceira inspect the damage caused to their homes by the Azores

New earth tremors

Angra do Heroismo, Jan 3 .-Light tremors shook two islands in the Azores today, causing panic among survivors of the New Year's Day earthquake which killed at least 33 people and made thousands homeless. Inhabitants of Terceira and

WEST EUROPE

São Jorge, the two islands worst hit by the earthquake, were jokted out of their sleep arly today by the tremors. But a Portuguese military spokes-man said there had been no reports of fresh damage or casualties.

hysics lustitute said in Lisbon that the five tremors today were repercussions of Tuesday's earthquake, but added that there was no reason to fear another big upheaval.

day. The first to call were the members of the Government led

over his method of introducing itself. the budget for 1980 which was M

The budget debate resumes

on Monday, with the Govern-ment already almost certain to

use again Article 49 of the constitution to force the Budget

through. This enables the Government to pass a Bill with-

out a vote. The question, there-fore, is not so much whether the budget will be passed but whether M. Barre will remain

for long to implement it.

To judge by his friendly re-

ception at the Elysée today M.

Barre can expect to survive, at least for the moment. The Presi-

dent pointed out that there was

no election due in the year, so

From Ian Murray

stitutional Council.

after Giscard praise

President Giscard D'Estaing the franc was stable, the pur-

was receiving New Year wishes chasing power of the French at the Elysee Palace all day to people was being maintained

members of the Government led dustrial peace was general. The by M. Raymond Barre, the gloomy international situation, Prime Minister, who has been he said, was further proof that under a cloud since Christmas France could count only on

prices.

quake. But United States Air Force officers at the Lajes base in Terceira put the death toll at 52, with at least 400 islanders injured. Local hospitals said they had lost count of the number of injured.

According to the local authorities, about 15,000 people have been made homeless by the worst earthquake to hit the Azores in 20 years.

Rescue workers are Rescue workers are still searching through the rubble of Angra, most of whose houses were destroyed by the earthquake. Some of the villages destroyed on Tuesday can only be reached by sea and the authorities fear that the casualty toll may go up once rescue teams have managed to get through have managed to get through to the more remote areas. Azores radio today said one of the newly-discovered casual-ties was the 43-year-old parish

was stronger than it was in 1974.

people was being maintained despite the oil crisis, and in-

M Barre then went to the

the Finance Commission the

measures announced vesterday

to deal with the rise in energy

price rises for petrol, electricity

and gas was revealed during the

morning. Super grade petrol is to rise from 3.08 francs to 3.27

francs (36p) a litre, electricity charges by 10.8 per cent and

The Government measures in clude 7.500m francs worth of special credits for industrial investments over the next year to soften the impact of these

rises. The Government is also to grant 150 francs each to fami-

lies on low incomes, to old

people and the handicapped to

will cost the state an estimated

help them to face the effects

the price rises. These

gas by 11.8 per cent.

The full cost of the new

The authorities in Lisbon he was ringing the tocsin to said 33 people had been killed alert the villagers. United States officials in Lisbon bon said American servicemen stationed at the Lajes air base were helping the Portuguese to clear roads and rubble and were sending medical supplies to the main hospital in Angra. In the ruins of Angra, many of whose ancient monuments were destroyed, thousands were sheltering in Red Cross tents, barracks, schools and modern earthquake-proof buildings.

Portuguese Navy ships and Air Force helicopters are evacuating villagers from some of the least accessible coastal areas on the island of São Jorge, where more than half of the population of 7,000 has been left homeless.

The Azores, a string of nine islands halfway between Europe and North America, islands have frequently suffered earth-quakes. In February, 1964, a series of seismic disturbances, which only ended in April, 1965, led to the evacuation of part of the population of São Jorge.—Reuter.

OVERSEAS____

Carter rivals anxious to end political truce over Iran crisis

Washington, Jan 2
The unofficial truce among both Democratic and Republican contenders for the presidency to mute their attacks on Mr Carter's handling of the Iranian crisis seems to be breaking down as election year finally dawns.

Not surprisingly, perhaps, the toughest criticism has come from the Republican side, with Mr William Brock, the party's national chairman, accusing the President this week of employing a "policy of deception" to use national unity on the American hostages in Iran to divert public attention from weaknesses in the Administration's foreign policies.

"It's time to take the gloves off", he told a reporter when he issued a new year statement on the coming political battle. He also urged Republican presidential candidates no longer to feel obliged to keep silem on anything except the specific question of Mr Carter's attempts to secure the release of the 50 hostages from the

Tehran embassy.

The Republican candidates the Republican canadates themselves are also beginning to air their frustrations at Mr Carter's domination of the political scene since the Iran trisis began two months ago.

Mr John Connally, the former Mr John Connally, the former Treasury Secretary and Governor of Texas, has recently accused the President of a "policy of inaction", while Senator Robert Dole of Kansas has said that Mr Carter bears a "heavy responsibility" for the Iranian problem.

On the Democratic side, too, Senator Edward Kennedy and Mr Jerry Brown, the Governor of California, are growing increasingly resuless at the selfimposed truce. This past weekend Mr Brown claimed that the President was using the plight of the hostages to help his own reelection campaign, and one of Mr Kennedy's assistants has made much the same point by attacking Mr Carrer for indulg-

ing in "calculated politics".

The incident which has most irked the contenders for his throne was Mr Carter's decision to withdraw from next Monday's planned relevised debare in Iowa where the first formal

terran, Jan 5. — Iransans today thrust their grievances upon Dr Kurt Waldheim, the United Nations Secretary-General, who dodged demonstrators at a Tehran cemetery and then heard 500 angry invalids blame the United States for their sufferings.

Declaring himself deeply moved and shocked, Dr Wald-

ties in the struggle which deposed the Shah: "I will do

my best to give you satisfac-

He also faced an uncompro-

mising attitude from Govern-

ment officials over the fate of 49 Americans held hostage by

Islamic militants for the extra-

dition of the deposed Shah from Panama, Mr Sadeq Qotbzadeb,

the Foreign Minister, told him

yesterday that the United Nations had ignored Iran's

sufferings under the Shah for

The bostility of many Iranians

to the Waldheim mission was

underlined at a demonstration

in front of the United States

A resolution read to a crowd of 5,000 said: "We ask Kurt Waldheim why he did not go to

Panama instead of Iran. If

States for their sufferings.

tions is due to take place later

in the month. The Democratic debate, which would have included all three of the party's candidates, has been cancelled, while television and the press as a whole have largely lost interest in the Re-publican match, which Mr Ronald Reagan, the front-runner, had, in any case, always

intended to boycott.

Reports from the White
House that the President has still managed to keep up with some of his campaign chores in spite of the crisis in Iran have also been a factor in encouraging his rivals to speak

out. Mr Carter and some of his aides have been making regu-lar relephone calls round the country to win support for his

reelection campaign.

Although Mr Carter has justified his decision to refrain from overt political campaigning on such high-minded principles as the need for 2 noning on such high-mimoed prin-ciples as the need for a non-partisan presidency at a time of foreign crisis, his conduct is fully in line with one of the golden rules of presidential politicking: if you are ahead in the pools, stay aloof and let your rivals fight it out among themselves. He said last night, for instance, that he thought for instance, that he thought narional unity during the Iran crisis would be damaged if he left the White House to get in-volved in political campaign-

ing. Mr Reagan has adopted the same strategy himself although his excuse is probably not as good as Mr Carter's.

Certainly, this strategy has paid off handsomely in recent weeks as the President has seen his popularity in the pub-lic opinion polls rise to spec-tacular levels.

The latest survey conducted in the middle of last month among Democratic voters shows that Mr Carter has a commanding 53 per cent lead over Mr Kennedy's 38 per cent for his party's nomination. But with the truce on silence

now apparently over and grow-ing impatience among the pub-lic about his inability to secure the release of the hostages, Mr Carter may now begin to see the upward trend in the polls reverse its direc-

superpowers. Only the extradi-

tion of the Shah will end your

Dr Waldheim met the 500 invalids at a former army officers' club and stood grim-

faced for 10 minutes while they

chanted slogans denouncing the Shab as a killer and demanding

his extradition. They waved

Tutches and artificial limbs in

the air, shouting: "Down with Carter. Down with the Shah". Dr Waldheim told them: "I

come from a small country which suffered tremendously. I

have seen my companious lying

on the ground, dead . . . my

country occupied by the great

powers. I will do my best to

give you satisfection." Earlier, Dr Waldheim was

flown to the Behesht Zahara

cemetery in south Tehran, where some 3,000 people killed in the revolution are buried. Cemetery officials said that he drove to the grave of the

Tehran spiritual leader, Ayatol-lah Mahmoud Taleghani.

der for the Iraman presidency said in an interview that the 49

Americans held at the United

Meanwhile, a leading conten-

Dr Waldheim listens to

Tehran. Jan 3. - Iranians tecting the interests of the

problem"

Iranians' grievances

Three shot dead in Indian poll clash

From Kuldip Nayar Delhi, Jan 3 Violence during the polling in 244 constituencies in the Indian general election today led to the death of three Harijans, formerly known as Unrouchables. The deaths occurred in the village of Akbarpur Parti, in Amoraha. western Uttar Pradesh, where the Jats treat the Harijans as

part of their retinue. According to reports reaching here, the Jats shot dead three Harijans and injured another 25. one of them seriously. The Harians had resisted voting for a jat candidate of the Lok

Dai party.

A police party left for Shkhupara and nearby villages in western Uttar Pradesh to inquire into complaints that Harijans were being prevented physically by the Lok Dal from voting Mr Charan Singh, Prime Minister in the caretaker government, heads the Lok Dal

party.

In his own constituency,
Baghpat more than 20 people
were injured, one seriously,
when Harijans were attacked to keep them away from the polling booths, A worker for Mrs Indira Gandhi's Congress Party was seriously injured in an attack in Ahpha village, near

Bagtoat.

A journalist who toured the constituency heard allegations of bogus voting. Some Harijans claimed that they were deprived of their ballot papers after being issued with them, At Kanjawala, near Delhi, Karijans had to vote in the presence of their landlords who entered

many polling booths.
In Bhiwani, Haryana, where Mr Bansi Lal, a Jar and a close associate of Mrs Gandhi's son, Mr Sanjay Gandhi, is opposed by the Lok Dal and the Janata Party, a clash started when some voters snatched the ballot papers from the polling officers.
In Hyderabad one person was

Muslim clash. There were many clashes there last night and the police used tear gas against rioters. Apart from these reported incidents, polling has been peace-ful. But the turnout has been

below 50 per cent compared with more than 55 per cent in the previous six elections. Voters cynicism against politicians in general for an unneans in general for an unnecessary mid-term election coupled with bad weather in the northern states is blamed for the apathy.

The 244 constituencies which the term of the apathy.

went to the polls in the first round of the election are spread over 18 states and all the nine union territories. The second round will be held on Sunday.

The main contenders are the Janata Party which won the 1977 election and the Congress Party of Mrs Gandhi, the former Prime Minister. The Lok mer Prime Minister. The Lok Dal and the other faction of the Congress Party have an electoral alliance but are not hot

favourites While Mr Morarji Desai, the former Prime Minister, was one of the early voters in Bulsar (Gujarat), Mrs Gandhi could not reach Delhi to vote as the Indian Airlines flight by which she was to travel from Calcutta was cancelled. Mr Charan Singh, who was campaigning outside Delhi, did not vote

Vietnamese plan space flight

Moscow, Jan 3.—A Viet-namese cosmonaut may soon be shot into space from a Soviet base. Tass reported today. Several cosmonaut candidates from Vietnam have been training in the Stars City near Moscow. The report said the Vietnamese were bearing the Russian winter perfectly well.-Agence France-Presse

hit Azores

The Portuguese National Geo-

priest of the Terceira village of Santa Barbara who was buried in the ruins of his church as Barre prospects improve Nostalgia at

funeral of Rudi Dutschke From Our Correspondent

Berlin, Jan 3
Some 3,500 people today attended the funeral in West Berlin of Rudi Dutschke, the former left-wing student leader who died in Denmark on Christ-

mas Eve. Professor Helmut Gollwitzer spoke of Dutschke's passionate fight for peace on earth and of his devotion to socialism, and said he had been a radical never a fanatic.

Though some of the songs

The gathering at the Free University that followed the funeral was in striking contrast to the turbulent meetings of the 1960s in which Dutschke

during the funeral service re-called militant tunes, a touch of nostalgia seemed to hang over the crowd. They were mainly former comrades of Dutschke and students of the present generation, some with babies in their prams or small children on their shoulders.

took part.

About 1,000 people marched to the Kurfürstendamm after-wards to place a plaque on the spot where an attempt murder Dutschke took place in April, 1968. The head injury he sustained at the time led to his death 11 years later.

perfectly honest deal.

minister.

are taking steps to end the crisis, you won't do this by pro-President to

embassy.

seek reelection La Paz, Jan 3.-Señor Walter Guevara Arze, a former Presiwere persecuting him over a dent overthrown by a military coup last year after less than three months in office, is to M Tournet, a former close stand for the post in this year's friend of the minister, has so

far refused to talk in any detail about the land deal. Yesterday elections, according to political sources. however, prompted by a per-sistent press investigation, he decided to claim that he had Señor Guevara Arze, aged 63, was elected by Parliament last August as a compromise cardiin fact returned the 40,000 date after neither of Bolivia's francs paid to him by the two main party leaders was able to gain an absolute majority in seven ballots. According to a report in this week's edition of Le Point, this On November 1, the unilitary

amount was paid into M Boulin's private account in his seized power but President Guevara Arze went into hiding with his Cabinet and refused to home town of Libourne in cash the day after M Tourner's cheque for this amount had step down. On November 16, the military been cashed at a Paris bank.
Details of the minister's bank agreed to return power to Parliament on condition that

M van Ruymbeke shortly be-fore M Boulin's death, and it is expected that they will be the President was replaced. Parliament revoked his authority and his successor was Senora Lidia Gueiler, Bolivia's made public in due course. first woman President. Senor M Boulin's widow has issued Guevara Arze became President a statement saying that her of the Parliament. A senior official of the Authentic Revolutionary Party, husband was not the sort of

which Senor Guevara Arze leads, said the former President's candidacy in the elections was agreed by the party during the past few days.

Monkeys kill boy of nine

Jakarta, Jan 3.—Hundreds of monkeys bit and scratched a boy of nine to death in a Borneo animal preserve after he and three other boys refused to give up their lunch box, Antara news agency said today. His companions escaped unharmed from the attack when a passing farmer diverted the monkeys with a

bananas.—Reuter.

States embassy in Tehran are not hostages but detainees charged with offences against intervational law.—Reuter. Deposed Bolivian | Thais stop 'encouraging' entry of Kampucheans

Government has abandoned its ambitious project launched in November, of temporarily accepting 500,000 Kampuchean refugees in centres set up in Thailand.

Thailand is keeping its "open door " policy of accepting all refugees arriving in the country but instead of putting pressure on the 600,000 to 700,000 Kampucheans camped along the border to enter Thailand, the Thei authorities will now accept only those who have freely decided to cross.

They are also trying to arrange for border regions sheltering the refugees to be put under United Nations control and demilitarized.

This new That position was defined on Monday by Marshal Sithi Sawetasia, Chairman of the National Security Council. who declared that Kampucheans living in camps straddl-ing the borded would no longer be "encouraged" to come to Thailand.

A month ago, the Thai army cut food supplies for a week

Bangkok, Jan 3.—The That to a Khmer Serei camp because its leaders prevented the refugees from coming to Thailand. Relief was resumed on the condition that 6,000 refugees would arrive every day at the Kao I Dang centre about six miles from the border. The quota, which was never reached. has now been abandoned.

> About 120,000 refugees have arrived centres set up since October, including \$1,000 in Kao I Dang, instead of the 200,000 expected.
>
> Observers said that the change in the Thai attitude stemmed from the growing concern in That political circles over military developments in Western Kampuchea.

With continued fighting, prospects for the repatriation of refugees in the near future are

Thai authorities fear that Vietnam, without launching an offensive, would seek to close the border by planting mines and using other obstacles to prevent guerrillas from taking refuge in Thailand. There are indications that this is what is

Oxfam keeps up food aid

Singapore, Jan 3.-Three chean countryside were very international relief organizations said today they would still send supplies to Kampuchea, despite the suspension of aid shipments by the United Nations World Food Programme.

Oxfam of Britain, the World Council of Churches and the Christian Conference of Asia said that a stoppage of inter-national aid now could be critical to the starving population in Kampuchea, Mr Geoffrey Busby, Oxfam chief representative here,

said that crops in the Kampu-

poor and a food crisis was likely in the next few months. Oxfam had already sent 12,000 tons of food and other supplies worth S8m (f3.6m) to Kampuchea. "We are planning to step up our shipments in the near future," Mr Busby added. Mr Garson Vogel, executive-director of the World Food Programme, said in Rome yesterday that emergency food shipments to Kampuchea had

been suspended because the supplies already delivered there had not been distributed .-

Coroner urges arsonist to give himself up

Some of the "solutions"

being put to the Armitage in-

astrous effect on the economy, industrial transport users said

large-scale transfer of freight

a pipedream, and admitted to

he so by British Rail, Mr Malcolm Banks, president of

the Freight Transport Associa-

tion and head of transport

routes had to be more than

100 miles and in some cases 200

the Littlewoods Organi-

The so-called solution of

An arsonist who started a fire that caused the death of three children was urged yesterday to give himself up to the

The appeal was made by Mr Philip Gill, the Wakefield Coroner, at the opening of an inquest on the three brothers who died after the fire at their home in Selby Street, Hull. Police believe the fire was started when blazing paraffin-

snaked material was pushed through the letterbox four weeks ago. It seems to me this was a deliberate act and one which may well have got out of control and had more far-reaching

effects than was originally intended ", Mr Gill said. "I hope that whoever was responsible and started this fire, if they have a spark of humanity in them, will do what they can to relieve the relatives of these boys of further distress and enable the police to bring their inquiry to a conclusion.

The right and proper step to take is to come forward The inquest on Charles Hastie, aged 15. Joseph Peter Hastie, aged eight, and Paul Hastie, aged 12, who died in Wakefield. adjourned for three months.

railways 'a pipedream' than 125 miles, and 64 per cent less than 31 miles.

Commander Kerans (right) at Hongkong, telling Admiral Sir Patrick Brind (third from right) about the escape.

to make rail worthwhile. In lorry licences conditional on fact, only 8 per cent of Brit-suitable parking and operating ain's freight was moved more areas, Mr Banks said.

Big transfer of freight to

On the taxation of lorries quiry into heavy lorries and the Mr Banks said that half as environment are superficial and much again was paid as the illusory and would have a dis- road cost they incurred, contrary to the views of amenity bodies. That represented an excess of rax paid over road expenditure of £230m. For all road users the figure was more than E2,000m.

from road to rail was simply Bans on lorry movements in towns and elsewhere were also suspect, Mr Banks said. Already 2,000 schemes a year were being proposed. Those in existence added £42m a year to transport costs and caused the consumption of an extra zarion, said in London.
Apart from bulk traffic like coal and steel, much of which was already moved by rail. 8,500,000 gallons of fuel. One measure the industry would welcome to reduce lorry nuisance would be to make lorry licences conditional on

Deportation of teacher is deferred

Mr Raphael Aliman, the South African who was told he must leave Britain by January 11 after living here for nine years, will be able to stay, at least temporarily.

The Home Office said yesterday that Mr Altman, of Great Milton, Oxfordshire, was refused an extension of his stay because the Department of Employment had not received a proper application for a work permit from his prospective em-

Mr Altman, a religious educateacher in Leighton rd. Bedfordshire is Buzzard. married with two children.

Sutton Hoe

Professor Philip Rabtz argues in The Times Higher Education Supplement today that the famous East Anglian site of Sutton Hoe should be reexcavated using the most modern archaeological techniques. Also Rosemarie Jones reassesses Albert Camus who died 20 years ago today, and David Gardner, president of the University of Utah, looks the hurns unit at Pinderfields at the troubled state of was | Britain's universities.

that 1980 would be propitious for carrying out the work already undertaken. He went out of his way to congratulate M. Barre. Thanks to his work, he said, France Portugal's new

Cabinet sworn in From Our Correspondent Lisbon, Jan 3

centre-right

President Eanes swore in Portugal's new centre-right Government at a ceremony in Lisbon's Ajuda Palace today. Dr Francisco Sá Carneiro,

the Prime Minister, said in a speech after the investiture that the electoral victory of the centre-right alliance headed by his party, the Social Demo-cratic Party, sowed the un-equivocal choice of the Portu-guese people. His Government was after Portugal's long political crisis, the first to command an absolute majority in Parliament, he said.

The new Government's task was to transform social conditions and solve the many probems facing the country through
"moderate and positive
action". The public would be
kept informed. Dr Carneiro
said. He also promised that the country's problems would be solved on a national and not a party basis".

Noting the danger posed by

It never looked much like

being a happy new year but

most Italians, including a hard-

pressed Prime Minister, might

the Government would at least

see the first week out before declaring that the country's per-

The offending minister is Pro-

fessor Massimo Giannini who deals with administrative re-

beyond hope of redemption.

have hoped that a member of year.

His despondent inter- the tapes of the interview.

the Soviet Union, he said that

his Government wanted Portugal to join the European Com-

From Peter Nichols

Rome, Jan 3

New controversy arises over minister's suicide M Boulin strongly criticized both M van Ruymbeke and M Alain Peyrefitte, the Minister of Justice, for the way they From Our Own Correspondent Paris, Jan 3

A new round of spiteful claim and counter-claim has spring up round the reasons for the mysterious suicide in October of M Robert Boulin, the French Labour Minister

Labour Minister. His death followed a series of public disclosures that he might have been involved in a shady land deal to acquire the property near St Tropez in 1974 on which he built a luxurious

holiday home. In a statement yesterday to Agence France-Presse the former owner of the land, M Henri Tournet, claimed that he had in fact given the land to the minister.

M Tournet is the central figure in the involved story of the land deal. He is said to have been involved in selling

the land twice-once to a wealthy Normandy consortium and then for a ridiculously low price of 40,000 francs (£4,400) to M Boulin. A judicial inquiry into the affair was started in July by

weekly, brought an angry state-ment last night from President

the minister's statements were

out of line with his own con-

the forceful young examining magistrate from Caen, M Renaud van Ruymbeke. Renaud van Ruymbeke. man to receive presents and In a bitter series of letters that M Tournet was not the written before he took his life, sort of man to give them.

Gloomy Italian minister rebuked view, published by a Milan as saying that his despond-ency was shared by all his Pertini, who complained that fellow-ministers. The facts of the economic situation, he said, left them flabbergasted.

fident message for the new The interview was mainly concerned with Parliament and the rest of the country's insti-tutions which, Professor Gianniai said, no longer func-He called on Professor Giannini to retract or resign. The minister claims that what he lous condition was practically said was handled in such a way tioned. He said the economic probas to sound worse than he

lems of 1980 would be dread-ful. "At least at the beginning, Signor Francesco Cossiga, the Prime Minister, has called for 1980 will be the worst year in our history.'

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shot Carter move to defer Senate debate on Salt pact with Russia

From David Cross

the Senate to delay its consideration of the strategic arms limitations treaty (Salt 2) because of the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan

A statement issued by the White House said that "while Amoral, the President continues to Pradesh whe believe that ratification of the Ham whe the Harijan, Salt 2 is in the national security interest of the United States, shor do a he has concluded that the shor do at the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan in defiance of the United resisted to Nations Charter has made concession of the Salt 2 resisted to Nations Charter has more 2 date of the Salt 2 date of the last treaty inappropriate at this

completely he and the Congress assess hence for the Lot Dal in the Lot Lok he "he and the Congress assess what has always been a highly

than 20 people on a statement agree.

In a letter to Senator Robert byrd, the Democratic leader of the Upper House, Mr Carter emphasized that his request for a delay was "not to withdraw the treaty from consideration, the treaty from consideration, usiv the treaty from consideration, but to defer the debate" which usiy minuted was originally due to have opened in the near future.

"As you know," the President "As you know," the President at c sales view that the Salt 2 treaty is in Some harges the national security interest of The period at world, and that it should be

10.00 taring as these more urgent issues have been addressed."
Outlining the reasons behind Mr Carter's request, a senior White House official said that mood of the Senate was clearly in favour of a postpone-ment of the Salt debate. It was impossible to predict when Senate deliberations on the treaty might go ahead and this would to some degree be determined by the future behaviour of the Soviet Union, the official

President Carrer today asked debate, the official said they hared the Administration's very serious" view of the Soviet military intervention in Afghanistan. The responsibility for the postponment lay entirely with the Soviet Union, he

added. In spite of Mr Carter's hope that Sait 2 can still be ratified by the Senate before this autumn's presidential election this appears increasingly unlikely. The Soviet Union shows no signs of withdrawing its troops from Afghanistan in the near future, and as the presidential election campaign here nearly time."

The President asked that the formplones while and less willing to consider what he and the Congress assess controversial document.

> Today's Salt announcement is the second of a series of measures Mr Carrer has promised to announce in due course to demonstrate his administration's displeasure at events in Afghanistan. Last night, the White House announced the recall of Mr Thomas Watson, the United States Ambassador in Moscow, for consultations in Washington

The White House has, how ever, still not disclosed details of the other "unilateral actions and actions to be taken in conjunction with other nations" which Mr Carter approved during a meeting with his senior military and foreign policy

advisers vesterday. The State Department dis-closed today that the Administration is still assessing Pakistan's need for additional military assistance to enable it to withstand possible future aggression from the Soviet

According to reports reaching the State Department, isolated shooting incidents have maded in Kabul, the Afghan appears to be continuing in other parts of the country.

Army needs fire power to protect 1,000-mile border

Islamabad seeks guarantees of assured US arms deliveries

ment in Havana.

by the Soviet Union.

prepare public opinion.

United States despite its whole-

continuing entanglement with

The Pakistanis seem deter-

mined to maintain their place

in the non-aligned movement.

and are likely to point out to critics of the intended arms

too have bilateral arms agree-

Such an argument is evidently

destined for Indian ears. With

pendence on Soviet arms and

Talks have begun with the

Americans on arms purchases, but the Pakistan Government

has indicated that it requires clarification on what will be

done to guarantee a completely reliable supply of arms and

somehow circumvent the Symington Amendment, which

Amendment,

stopped aid and arms last April,

so that Congress will be brought

into line with any executive

posed last April because of Pakistan's determination to

acquire a nuclear capability, is

The delivery of £50m worth

defence assistance.

decision.

ments with the superpowers.

the Iranians to strike

Afghanistan.

country, it must

Islamabad, jan 3

With the Russians having turned the region's historic buffer state of Afghanistan into a Soviet satellite, Pukistan has no option but to negotiate with the Americans the purchase of high quality modern defence equipment.

The principle of obtaining these arms from the United States must be settled quickly, for there is a grim realization here that if the negotiations between Washington and Islamabad take up much time, there may be no need for it.

Such is the assessment of the situation by the authorities here one week after the massive Soviet armed intervention in Afchanistan distorted the existing balance of power in this

egion. But informed sources here believe Pakistan will be taking a momentous decision and much diplomatic skill will be required, both from Islamabad and Washington, if the decision is not to do Pakistan more harm than good. The superpowers may one day lose interest in the region, but Pakistan, with a population of over 80 millions will remain in the area bordered not only by the Soviet Union but also by Iran and

India. Viewed from Islamabad, India has apparently still not grasped the magnitude of the perhaps, can only be mastered by a rapprochement between the two nations of the subcontinent.

There has evidently been some hard thinking here about the Soviet Union. Basically, the Russians have been told that, as long as their troops remain in Afghanistan, there can be no political solution between

But the Pakistanis are also aware of the importance of of arms, already on order when Soviet economic assistance, symbolized by the Soviet-built The Russian aggression in

Haq. It has left the American- Soviet animosity, it is bluntly backed Cento alliance in the stated here. wake of the collapse of the Pakistan is therefore likely to

Shah's regime in Iran and, in look once again to its Muslim order to get more in step with friends, especially Saudi Arabia, the Islamic world, joined last to play the bankers' role in autumn the non-aligned movemuch larger arms purchases. Anyone coming as I have done to Islamahad from Delhi Pakistan will now have to is bound to be struck by the explain to Iran that, faced by immense gap separating the two countries' thinking on how best the first Soviet invasion of a

choose the means to defend its to respond to the Soviet threat sovereignty or be subverted to the region. With the Indians having taken a decision to acquire Anglo-French Jaguars, Harriers, "Pakistan must accept the offer of military aid from the and a regiment of Soviet T72 tanks, the outery over the inhearted identity with Iran", an tended Pakistani arms purchase editorial entitled "The Moment in India among politicians and the press looks strange indeed. of Truth" in the Government-owned Pakistan Times has de-

The Pakistan Army needs clared in an obvious effort to The Russians, in the prevail-ing view here, have taken full advantage of the Americans' sophisticated equipment, such but military supplies to give them fire power and mobility along the 1,000-mile-long moun-tainous frontier with Afghanis-

> Facing up to 50,000 Soviet troops equipped with modern tanks and helicopters, Pakistan has one corps of 25,000 men has one corps of 23,000 men based on Peshawar in the North-West Frontier province and another corps of some 30,000 troops in Baluchistan

> There are also about 60,000 lightly equipped militia men forming such famous frontier corps units as the Khyber Rifles. They are deficient in transport and communications.

> President Zia has to face this crisis relying on officials' ad-vice and that of his fellow generals, since all the political parties have been banned after the October decision to postpone indefinitely the t promised general elections.

The weakness of the military senior commanders are also functioning as martial law administrators in their areas and as provincial governors. The as provincial governors. need to watch the frontiers with Afghanistan and Iran and the region has produced a very clearly regarded here as only concentrate full time on miliary complex situation for the a beginning. Such a small arms affairs may force General Zia regime of President Zia ul- delivery would only engender to introduce changes.

Britain and Pakistan action

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From Michael Leapman _ New York, Jan 3

Britain and Pakistan are making the running here in getting the United Nations Security Council to meet to condemn the Sovier action in Afghanistan. The session is likely to be held at the weekend when the Soviet Union will certainly yeto any resolution, even though it will not mention the Russians by name but refer to them as "foreign troops."

At a meeting in London on Monday between the United pean allies, the Americans asked Britain to play a leading role in the diplomacy leading to United Nations consideration of the question. Pakistan is involved as a Muslim country bordering on Afghanistan.

The plan to summon the Security Council was devised at a meeting late yesterday at the office of Sir Anthony Parsons Britain's representative at the United Nations in which 11 countries participated.

The Council President, M Jacques Leprette of France, will summon other members for consultations before the Soviet veto, it would be open soviet veto, it would be open to any member to put the reso-lution to the General Assembly, under the "uniting for peace" procedure. If it were then passed by a two thirds majority— and it is conceivable that it could be—it would have the same authority as a Security Leading article, page 11

EEC food aid suspended

Brussels, Jan 3. The European Economic Community today decided to suspend food aid to Afghanistan, sources close to the EEC Commission said here. The aid programme for this

rear involved deliveries of 3.000 tons of cereals and 300 tons of powdered milk with a total value of \$1.3m (£590,000).— Agence France-Presse.

PAPER.

Guerrillas urged to

press for UN heed Rhodesia truce

OVERSEAS.

From Nicholas Ashford

In a final attempt to persuade more Patriotic Front guerrillas to need the ceasefire call. Lord Soames, the Governor, and two leading Patriotic Front military commanders have been broadcasting appeals to fighters still in the field to report to assembly areas by tomorrow's midnight deadline.

By this afternoon the total numbers of armed guerrillas who had reported to the ceasefire monitoring force amounted to just over 5,050, although a British spokesman said the figure could well be higher by

The remaining guerrillas could number in excess of 12,000. After the 14-day period for implementing the ceasefire any guerrilla who is not at an assembly area will be deemed to be "unlawful" and will be dealt with as the Governor deems fit.

A British spokesman said the question of late arrivals would be handled "sensibly", which is taken to mean that guerrillas will still be accepted at assembly areas after tomorrow's deadline

British sources today expressed disappointment that nore guerrillas had not vet heeded the truce call It was still hoped there would be a last-minute rush tomorrow.

That was wify Lord Soames and the two guerrilla com-manders—Mr Rex Nhongo, deputy commander of Zania deputy commander of Zanla (the force belonging to Mr Robert Mugabe's Zanu), and Mr Dumiso Dabengwa, military and security intelligence chief of Zipra (the military wing of Mr Joshua Nkomo's Zapu) were making their broadcast

appeals. In the broadcasts Patriotic Front guerrillas were told that areas would be lawful. "But if vou do not join your comrades by midnight on January 4 you will be acting contrary to the ceasefire agreement and will be unlawful.

"Therefore it is in your inceived from your commanders, same day.

Front forces in assembly places by January 4. The soldiers of monitoring force are here to help you in every way they

can.' The British sources em-phasized that there could be no extension of the ceasefire deadline. In an angry meeting with Mr Enos Nkala, the senior Zanu representative inside Southern Rhodesia, Antony Duff, the Deouty Governor, today rejected his de-mand for the ceasefire implementation period to be ex-

tended. Bishop Abel Muzorewa, the leader of the rival United African National Council, said today, that the failure of the guerrillas to take part in the ceaselire in greater numbers showed that their leaders, Mr Mugabe and Mr Nkomo, had no control over them. He also accused the Patriotic Front leaders of working to disrupt the elections in February. British sources have never

theless been beartened by the reduction in the level of violence. The average daily death toll has fallen to about five since December 21 compared with about 20 before the cez-efire came into effect.

There have ben far fewer ambushes, attacks on the white farms and land mine incidents, although there has been an increase in general lawlessness in some areas.

A number of particularly brutal incidents continue to be reported, in one, according to Rhodesian combined operations communique, a band of eight Zinra fighters demanded food and drink from villagers living near Plumtree, southof Bulawayo, four of them subsequently became ill and two of

In revenue they ordered the villagers to build a large fire into which they pushed a man and two women, who were burnt to death.

Mr Nkomo was to have returned on Sunday but the British pointed out to him that his welcoming back rally would have clashed with a big political terests that you follow today meeting which Bishop Muro-the instructions you have re-rewa was planning to hold the

Paris politicians score points over Kabul coup

From Ian Murray Paris, Jan 3

The Soviet-assisted coup in acutely France's schizophrenic position in its relations with the Soviet Union and the

The result is that despite the recognized gravity of events in central Asia, the impression is that the takeover in Kabul has been organized simply to provide politicians with more bricks to fling at each other.

peace of what has happened. Equally he still clings to the calculated insult than the almultilateral and that France has a role to play in bringing about a gradual cooling down of tempers. He is therefore not to upset the Soviet Union.

The French Foreign Ministry was at pains to point out that the joint statement issued after the New Year's Eve meeting in London of representatives of the six western powers—the United States, Britain, France, Canada, West Germany and Italy—was couched in stronger terms than France would have

The language of the state-ment, the Foreign Ministry said, was that of the American delegation and not of the others present, whose positions were significantly more prudent. All had agreed to the statement out of courtesy.

Thus while Britain and West Germany have declared their individual anger at the Soviet intervention, France has so far simply recalled its ambassador in Kabul in order to obtain his first-hand report of what has been going on.

The main French domestic interest in what has happened has, therefore, been the reaction of the Socialists and Communists to yesterday's invitation by the President to be briefed on Afghanistan by M Jean François-Poncet, the Foreign Minister.
This offer, made in keeping out of important issues, seems with the President's often exto have been taken in exactly

the opposite way.

Mr François Mitterrand, the
Socialist leader, responded by instructing his own number two M Lionel Jospin, to make the contact, holding himself ready to meet the President for a personal briefing in the event of matters becoming really serious.

In his letter of reply to the President, M Mitterrand played down the importance of offer by There can be no doubt that saying that the Socialist party President Giscard d'Estaing is would always be available to cxtremely concerned at what he sees as the danger to world peace of what has happened.

The shelf cistard of Estang is responsible public figures on interests vital to the country.

This half snub to the President of the country. most inevitable refusal to accept the invitation which will come from the Gommunist leader, M Georges Marchais, when he re-turns from his present trip to Cuba.

The Gaullists, too, have taken their increasingly accustomed swipe at the President. They ask in a statement whether he has made use of the occasion to stage a political operation.
The Gaullists, like the pro-Giscardian UDF however, both roundly condemn the Soviet moves in their statement. The Socialists, too, are strongly opposed to it, adding that they were similarly opposed to American invasions of South-East Asia and Latin America and French intervention in

The Communists however have found themselves seeking to justify the Kremlin's action.
After playing down the story
for some days in the party
newspaper L'Humanité, a full page appeared today complete with a strong editorial supporting the Soviet intervention.

It recalls Article 7 of the United Nations Charter, which enshrines the principle of non-interference in the internal

interterence in the internal affairs of a country and Article 51 which supports the natural right of self-defence with the help of allies.

The editorial evokes the spirit of General de Gaulle, reminding readers of his initiatives in favour of national independence and détente.

China asked by US to aid Pakistan From Richard Burt

Washington, Jan 3 The Carter Administration is

shoring up Pakistan's defences against Soviet military pressure. possibly including a proposal for an increase of arms sent from both governments.

Officials said that a joint American-Chinese effort to strengthen Pakisten's defences was one of several steps toward closer security collaboration between Washington and Peking that would be discussed during the forthcoming visit to China by Mr Harold Brown, the by Mr Harom Defence Secretary.

The visit, which begins this several months ago, but in ar interview, a senior official said that Moscow's military interven-tion in Afghanistan had given Brown mission a new

dimension. Asserting that the Soviet Union had forced Americans and Chinese into a posture in which they both saw the world in the same way, the official said that closer security ties with Peking were viewed by many officials as a principal way the United States could respond to Moscow's actions in Afghanistan, Accordingly, some officials believed that the Brown visit would constitute an important turning point in Administration policy, ending President Carter's preference for an even-handed approach to relations with Peking and Moscow

Moscow. The Administration is said to be interested in bolstering Chinese military aid to Pakistan because of the constraints con-fronting the United States in providing its own arms assist-

Officials also reported that China was now flying cargo aircraft into Islamabad on a regular basis and suggested that it would be relatively easy for Peking to begin a military airlift.—New York Times News Service.

INNEXT WEEK'S

REVELATIONS.

We're not going to try to predict next week's exclusives.

After all, we didn't know about jury vetting, or sex tests on immigrants, or the 41 railway lines British Rail want to close, until a few hours before we went to press.

But if current form is anything to go by—the cabinet discussion on P.W.R. Nuclear Power Stations, the cabinet argument over employers footing the sick pay bill, the B.R. plan for two fare rises for rail travellers—then the exclusives will be there.

ILLUMINATIONS.

Naturally all our major features will be there, shedding just a little more light on things you knew and on topics you're just becoming aware of.

Everything from Honest Bottle, the Arts, Education, Society Tomorrow and Agenda, to Grassroots, Small Business, In the Gallery, Futures, Parliament and Out of Court.

Plus, of course, Posy, Bryan McAllister and Gibbard, the cartoons that slice up life.

REPUTATIONS.

You've heard of our writers because they're those kind of writers. But just to remind you, Jill Tweedie, Polly Toynbee, Barry Norman, Derek Malcolm, Frank Keating, Carwyn James, Peter Jenkins, John Arlott, James Cameron, Nancy Banks-Smith, Michael Billington, Hamish McRae and Katie Stewart. will all be there, refreshing the parts other seers cannot reach.

TRADITIONS.

Wit. Style. Irreverence. They've all been part of The Guardian for 150 years. Next week will be no exception.

THE GUARDIAN

West accused of 'frenzied ballyhoo

The naming of Britain with America as the prime culprits reflects Soviet anger at the strong British condemnation of Thatcher sent a letter to Mr speaking suddenly in favour of Brezhnev and said she was "frankly puzzled" by the Soviet "red", but Washington began Soviet intervention Mrs

The Russians have long iden-tified Britain as the West European power they most dislike, but this is the first time Mrs but this is the first time and Thatcher's Government has been accused specifically of aid-been accused specifically of aid-time and training the Afghan ing and training the Afghan had training the A

of deliberately suppressing news of the crimes of the rebels and of former President Amin. The of the crimes of the rebels and of former President Amin. The western media did not utter a word condemning the "fanatical bandits" who, Tass said, in their frenzy burnt villages, massacred whole families, gouged out the eyes and cut off the hands of Government actition washington resembled those of battle on Monday, the paper said a squad of attackers tried to get through to the radio station but were fought off and dispersed.

The newspaper said shooting broke out several times in one area of the city and the firing of heavy-calibre machine guns in Washington resembled those

Continued from page 1

"If the United States and Britain had beeded these calls, an atmosphere of peace and tranquility would have prevailed long ago, and the Government of the young republic would not have had to call for military aid."

The naming of Private American and the Soviet press as 1 praising the Russians for their household washington and the other Western capitals were more than once told of these them. ticians remained tight-lipped, thus taking brutal murderers

under their protection". Mr Carter was accused of only when he was exposed as a

Tass said the American intelligence services must have known that President Amin had The article accused the West obtain from Western countries. (The Soviet media have not detailed the scale of Soviet

when another butcher, the It asked why Nato was making such a "frenzied propaganda ballyhoo" over a country that had nothing to do either with the north or with the Atlantic. The reason, Tass explained, was distract the world's attention from the "foul schemes and deeds" of the West.

By starting an outcry over Soviet threat to Iran, Washington was trying to camouflage its own real threat looming over Iran and its attempts to play the role of world policeman. Nato wanted to divert Western attention from its plans to deploy weapons in

Europe. The party newspaper Pravde today described the fighting in Kabul near the radio station. Giving the first account of a battle on Monday, the paper

From Christopher Walker Gaza, Jan 3

A group of prominent Arab businessmen are mounting a joint campaign against the Egyptian and Israeli Governments to force the reopening of the Palestine Bank, an important privately owned insti- me that something would be tution closed down 13 years ago done," he told me yesterday. when the Israeli Army captured

the Gaza strip.
A strongly worded relegram was sent last week to President Sadat of Egypt requesting him to order the immediate unfreczing and transfer of the bank's cash holdings valued at about £500,000. These have been forc-Cairo where they were on de-posit at the time of the enforced closure in June, 1967.

We see this as a vital test

we should be allowed to look after our own affairs, they should give us back our money. Without it, the Israeli occupiers have the perfect excuse the administrative control of for keeping the bank shut, and preventing us from building up

Altogether the Palestine he economic infrastructure of

Camp David agreements, no one is prepared to admit publicly their personal accounts. that the latest moves to reopen the bank are connected with the living in the overcrowded Gaza political observers regard it as a political lever by Egypt.
They claim that the Egyptian the telegram comes less than a month before normal relations

due to be restored. Of strong symbolic, as well and also in an effort to exert as commercial significance, the pressure on the Israelis into Palestine Bank was the only taking a more flexible attitude big financial institution to have its headquarters inside the poverty-stricken Gaza strip at the time of the 1967 war. Many

Today, the bank's grubby headquarters in Glaza's bustling main thoroughfare is locked and barred, with the keys held by the Bank of Israel Inside. the original furniture and fit-

Leftist terror

El Al manager

opened fire on his car with

Soviet-made automatic rifles. He

An extreme left-wing group, the Marxist-Leninist Armed

Palestinian people.
The same terrorist group

claimed responsibility for the

murder of an American service-

civilians near Istanbul last month. Four other people were killed in Istanbul yesterday and

two in other Turkish cities .-

Recife, Brazil, Jan 3.-Air

'Flying' drunkard

to start the engines.

From Douglas Aiton

Melbourne, Jan 3

died on his way to hospital.

group kills

still carry out routine administrative duties in makeshift offices on an upper floor.

Last year, Dr Ghazelch paid two visits to Cairo, and saw four senior Cabinet ministers in an earlier effort to free the funds. "All of them promised But as soon as I returned to Gaza, I found that all the promises had been forgotten.

At the same time talks were being held with the Israeli hanking authorities and the Gaza military Government 38 part of the effort to secure the bank's reopening. "A number ibly withheld by the National of technical reasons were put Bank of Egypt and the Bank of in the way," Dr Ghazeleh went on, "but eventually the Israelis agreed in principle on the reopening once we can show that Egypt is prepared to hand back

of the Egyptian Government's the money."

real attitude towards the Palestinian people", one of the hank's governors, Dr. Hatem. Abu Ghazeleh said.

"If they really believe that funds to Palestinian terrorist funds to Palestinian terrorists." groups. For that reason, the military Government insisted that their bank's activities would have to remain under

Altogether the Palestine Bank has 1,068 shareholders who between them hold 30,000 In the present mood in Gaza shares. For the past 13 years, of deep suspicion towards the only those few who have been able to visit Cairo could touch Many provinent Palestinians

improved diplomatic climate strip believe that the future of between Israel and Egypt. But the bank's funds is being used Government insists on withmonth before normal relations holding the funds as part of its between the two countries are attempts to persuade Gazans to join the autonomy scheme, towards the aspects of the

perce process. There is ample evidence that ing in the region regarded it as something akin to a national among many leading Ambain bank. the region. Dr Ghazeleh said: "The

Egyptian attitude is ridiculous. because there is no question of them not being able to spare that amount of money. It just means that in Gaza we are now tings remain musty and un-being squeezed by two adversa-changed while a skeleton staff ries instead of just one."

FOREIGN REPORT

The generals want a combined attack on terrorism in Turkey

Turkey's influential generals tried to obtain by dictate this week what years of patient goading by friends of Turkey had failed to achieve: to get the country's two principal political parties to sacrifice partisan interests for the sake of joint action to rid the country of terrorism.

For the time being, the generals are not power-hungry. They just want the politicians to break the circle of vendetta and revenge that swells the surging wave of political violence between extreme right and extreme left and is rapidly leading the nation to civil war.

The two extremes are in the minority. But because for years the two major parties, the Republican People's Party of Mr Ecevit and the Justice Party of Mr Demirel, have been unable to secure a parliamentary majority, the extremes have exploited this weakness.

Their violence has claimed an average of 25 lives a week in the last two years. When the Conservative government of Mr Suleiman Demirel took over last November it was clear that unless it could deal even-handedly with both extremes,

the terrorism would continue.

Mr Demirel's dilemma, however, is that his minority government relies for parlia-mentary survival on the "National Action of former Colonel Alpasian Turkes, which is openly accused by the opposi-tion of fostering rightwing terrorism.

The left-of-centre government of Mr Demirel's predecessor, Mr Ecevit, had, in turn, been accused to cracking down exclusively on the rightist militants in order to curry the favour of the left, even of encouraging Kurdish separatist groups. The sudden flare-up of anarchy at the

year's end triggered by the left to mark the anniversary of the Kahramanmaras massacre over Christmas 1978, has made the Government's task more difficult. The implication is that the militant left is out to destablize the regime.

The direct objective of this sudden show of force would be to stop rightwing activists from becoming firmly entrenched in key posts of the new administration once again. But a longer term target could be to upset Mr Demirel's chances of bringing temporary relief to the criopled economy, because this would enhance his popularity and improve the prospects of a clear majority for his Justice Party in the next general elections.

The truth is that after Mr Demirel formed his Cabinet almost eight weeks ago, he ordered the replacement of many senior officials throughout the country. In view of strong suspicions that under the Government of Mr Bulent Ecevit, his leftof centre predecessor, the state machinery was heavily infiltrated by leftwing activists, the new incumbents could hardly be expected to be sympathetic to the left.

Major changes in top civil service posts are inevitable after every change of

Government in Turkey. But this time Mr Demirel invoked the problem of anarchy to reshuffle the state services more drastically than usual. This touched off strong protests from the middle and lowerranking officials, triggering punitive raids rightwing thugs in Government offices

where the objections had been loudest.

Mr Ecevit whose "Republican People's
Party" gave up the Government in October after a heavy defeat in the mid-term
elections, says: "To wipe out anarchy the Government must discourage once and for all the hopes of rightwing terrorists that under this regime they will be safe and protected. Unfortunately this has not yet been done.

Opposition politicians claim there is plenty of evidence to prove before a tribunal that Mr Turkes and his followers have been directly involved in acts of violence, enough to have the party banned and even its leader jailed.

Yet, when the opposition was in power for 22 months, no such action was taken. clearly for fear that the "National Action Party's " one million voters might have switched to Mr Demirel's Justice Party. It is now clear that the Turkish military, by this intervention, sought to free Mr Demirel from his dependence on the extreme right, in the hope of encouraging some form of cooperation, support or tolerance from Mr Ecevit's party.

The message from the army was loud and clear: "Joint action in the spirit of nationalism and Ataturkism, within the context of a parliamentary democratic

Mr Demirel's current strategy against Mr Denirer's current strategy against political violence is to set up an efficient team of administrators in each of Turkey's 67 provinces. "A good prefect a good police chief, and a good public prosecutor", he says, "can work miracles." Within his first two weeks in office he research all the prefects and the police replaced all the prefects, and the police chiefs in 57 provinces.

His next move was to abolish the "Martial Law Coordinating Council" set up by Mr Ecevit who was intent on giving martial law in Turkey what he called "a human face" that would be more com-patible with his own principles. But the political constraints visibly impaired the effectiveness of the martial law authorities.

Mr Demirel has now given a free hand to the military in the 19 provinces where martial law is in force and the difference of approach is already felt sharply throughout Turkey, especially in stamping out leftwing lawlessness.

The Demirel Government is now pres ing legislation through the National Assembly setting up state security courts to expedite, by summary procedure, a multitude of cases involving political crimes. Ordinary tribunals in Turkey, even courts martial, often find themselves bogged down by legalistic obstacles and

an impossible backlog of cases.

The law is part and parcel of a series of

law-and-order decrees held up in the National Assembly by Mr Ecevit's objections, an obstruction heartily resented by

The toughest task facing this government, however, is the urgent need to depoliticize the police force which has been deeply infiltrated by rightwing and left wing trade unions. Turkey's two major parties agree that this should be done as soon as possible but obviously they disagree on the definition of depoliticization.

Many Turks, therefore, say it is time to set up a police special branch, with its own first-class intelligence network to deal exclusively with terrorism, possibly with the help of Scotland Yard which Mr Ecevit brought in to advise the Turkish

Mr Ecevit, the opposition leader believes that political violence is inextricably linked with the country's rapidly changing social structure and its faulty economic growth. The use of non-democratic methods could have speeded up economic development, as it did in most backward countries, but in Turkey, he says, it would have backfired.

"The Turks are profoundly egalitarian. They have known no aristocracy and no slavery. Until the early 1930's we did not even have surnames. These were intro-duced just for bureaucratic reasons", he

Therefore, no Turk can regard poverty as his unavoidable destiny when he can see others getting rich. And Turkey's economy did not encourage the development of ar egalitarian society in recent years".

This sense of frustration and injustice,

combined with the neglect of rural areas where three-fifths of Turkey's population live, and a prodigious birth rate of 3.7 per cent, have led to monstrous urbaniza-

The overpopulated cities are girdled with slummy shanty towns where the extremists on both sides can easily recruit esperadoes in a country where one in five is unemployed. Another aggravating factor is the urge

the Turks feel to possess a firearm. "Machismo" is at the root of this urge, of course, but it also makes for a flagging sense of security in the countryside. Now, for the first time, the Turkish

authorities are turning their attention to gun-running operations, involving millions of dollars, which involve influential gangs with international ramifications. Turkey is currently negotiating agreements with neighbouring countries on the prevention of smuggling across the borders and has tightened surveillance along the extensive

Mario Modiano

Egyptian leader

Istanbul, Jan 3.-Mr Abraham Cairo, Jan 3 .- Vice-President Elazar, manager of the Israeli airline EL AL in Istanbul, was shot dead last night, the police Hosny Mubarak of Egypt left today on a 19-day tour of six countries that will take him to Washington for an expected Mr Elazar was on his way home from his office in Yesilkoy airport when a group of men

on Mr Carter

will call

meeting with President Carter. Mr Mubarak, who met President Sadat of Egypt in Aswan yesterday, first headed for the Gulf oil state of Oman for talks with Sultan Qaboos Ibn

The Cairo newspaper Al Propaganda Union, later claimed Ahram quoted Mr Mubarak as responsibility in a telephone saying that the talks would call to a newspaper. It said Mr centre on the situation in the Gulf, mutual security and turm-oil in the Middle East. Oman Israeli intelligence service and accused Israel of massacring the is one of three Arab states which have supported President Sadat's peace initiative with

> Mr Mubarak will then travel on to North Korea, Japan and the United States before returning home by way of Munich. He is accompanied by senior military officials and Dr Osama El Baz, Egypt's First Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.

United States officials have port police have arrested a drunken man of 24 who was said they are considering a request for a five-year military sitting at the controls of a aid that Egyptian newspapers Boeing 737 airliner and trying said would total about \$3,000m (about £1,500m).-AP.

South Africa's legion of the banned

Wynberg.
The two incidents have in South Africa of the legion of the banned, the 1,358 people who, according to figures com-piled by the South African In-

tian Institute of Southern than two people, may not have Africa, visited Pretoria where anything published or be he made a speech at a public quoted, or take part in any gathering. It was hardly a political activity. The orders notable event. Mr Naude are usually imposed for five merely proposed the toast to years at a time.

to the police.

It is difficult to keep an accurate tally of the number of Notices announcing new banning orders and the expiry of to appear in court late in others appear regularly in the lanuary on two counts of Government Gazette, but fre-breaching the order which res- quently people released from prison after serving septences

The Institute of Race Rela- African establishment he rose tions does its best to keep its through the ranks of the The Institute of Race Rela-

banned person to offer any trial (according to the Institrial between 1976 and Sep-tember, 1979) had all been jus-tified "on the basis of information received?

There is no colour bar so far as banning orders are concerned but most victims are black. One of the most notable is Mrs Winnie Mandela, wife of Nelson Mandela, the African National Congress leader who is serving a life sentence in Robben Island iail.

case. As a respected son of the

church leaders led to a demand commission will examine all of of the country's leading law professors. Dr J. D. van der Vyver, has urged that it should

stitutional injustices".

ties Act might work better than the present system which force subversive organizations underground.

the now defunct Liberal Party, who was banned for 10 years from 1964, sees the situation in a different light. Banning orders, be feels "have taken out of active public involvement a host of people who, given a chance in the past 25 years, might have made a decisive contribution to the

Shortly before Christmas, the permission is given, attend any dents, lecturers, writers and on Mr Naudé to be lifted "on Rev Beyers Naudé, former form of public gathering, journalists, both black and humanitarian grounds". director of the outlawed Chris- meaning a meeting of more white. The reaction among other

the bride and groom at the Frequently, they are accomdown as Justice Minister last
wedding of his youngest panied by house arrest restricJune, Mr Kruger said: "I
daughter but after the celebrarions which means that banned have tried to exercise whatever to Johannesburg and report to

the police. Earlier in the month, the Rev David Russell, a Cape Town Anglican priest, travelled several hundred miles to Grahamstown where he addressed the Anglican synod and received tumultuous applause. Not a word of what he said was reported in the South

African press. On his return to Cape Town he was served with a summons to appear in court late in breaching the order which restricts him to his home area of

tion was over he had to return people are confined to their power the statute has given me give serious attention to the homes from 6 pm to 6 am with great humanity." Banning daily, all weekends and on orders and detention without public holidays. During these times they may only receive tute of Race Relations 2,700 large scale interior security visits from a doctor, priest or people were detained without problem by repressing the a lawyer. All people under trial between 1976 and Sepressistance of its subjects to inbanning and house arrest restrictions must report regularly

people at present banned. Wynberg.

The two incidents have being detained without trial, banned, Mr Beyers Naudé, brought into focus the plight walk straight into a banning aged 64, is a rather special

piled by the South African Institute of Race Relations, have calculated that 151 people Church (NGK) to moderator since 1950 been proscribed by the state as non-persons.

Under a banning order a person may not, unless special unionists, social workers, stu-

The reasons for bannings are

usually not made public, nor is that all banning orders should there any provision for a be lifted. In 1980 a judicial defence against unspecified South Africa's massive arsenal charges. When he stepped of security legislation and one purpose behind bannings.

"In the long run", he says, "a government cannot solve a He has suggested that the

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and sensible idea that the term

"natural yogurt" should be banned as a description on labels of yogurt sold without

added fruit. It made the

obvious point that plain yogurt was no more "natural" than

any other variety, but its sug-

gestion was ignored by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fish-

EEC levellers weaken British labelling

One in four of Australian ex-servicemen exposed in the Vietnam war to the defoliant

for deformed babies

Vietnam defoliant blamed

Agent Orange have fathered deformed children, according to the first statistical str carried out on the subject. The national average of one seriously deformed baby in every 1,000 is 250 times lower

than the veterans' rate. The study was carried out last week on 50 men who suffer from a variety of complaints which they believe were caused by contact with Agent Orange Vietnam between 1965 and

The families of the veterans, all living in New South Wales, contain four children with deformed hands, including three cases in which all the fingers of one hand and half the thumb are missing, two with deformed legs, including one on a baby girl which had to be amputated, one missing ear, four cases of club feet and two of deafness.

association formed to press mission of generic messages their claims for compensation from parents to offspring. against the Department of Veteran Affairs. The figures been established how long dio-were collected by Mr Jim xin remained in the bodies of Wares whose son was born with those exposed to it. a deformed hand.

had not yet filed claims because they had not connected Orange ingredient containing

which has been accepted as being linked to Agent Orange, according to the study. Mr David Walsh a biochemist who does research on foetal deformities for the Sydney-based Children's Medical Research Foundation, said yester-day the figures indicate that something stinks". Included in the ex-service-

men's group were a total of eight gross limb deformities-Overall in New South Wales, only one baby in 2,000 suffers such deformity, Mr Walsh said. The group's statistics roughly conform to those recently com-piled in the United States where 77 birth defects were reported in the families of 538

ex-servicemen exposed to Agent Orange. Agent Orange was a wartime code-name for a defoliant which is one of the phenoxy herbicides containing dioxin. A phenoxytype drug could often "bind itself directly to the victim's genetic material, according to Mr Walsh. That effectively "put a knot in the rope" which The men are members of an could create kinks in the trans-

A spokesman for the Depart-Mr Wares said the majority ment of Health said it would the men, including himself continue to "monitor evidence d not yet filed claims be- on 2.4,5-T" which is the Agent

Mr Walsh said it had not vet

Agent Orange until recent publicity brought it to their attenlicity brought it to their attenwould be required and the Vietstatistics "really of the men who reported denam veterans' statistics a really formed babies. 11 suffer them- are not anything too terribly selves from extreme nervous- different from what we've been ness and 10 from a body rash hearing for some time now".

British food laws may be weakenthusiasm for publicizing the work of the committee. The ened by new EEC rules which must be imposed here this two most important reports issued by the committee in year. That is the verdict of the Food Standards Committee, an recent years have been distrib-Obscure quango of scientists by the ministry at and others whose worthy sug-Christmas, when they could almost be guaranteed not to gestions are often ignored by win publicity.
The first has just been pub-The committee was at the

heart of the bargaining which produced the labelling of Food Regulations of 1970. Its lished as an appendix to the second, almost as if the members of the committee members are understandably were clutching at the sleeves aggrieved that the strength of of the food standards officials the regulations is threatened at the ministry in the hope of by the introduction in Britain being noticed at last. of a new EEC directive. Its Food labels are seen by title is "approximation of the laws of member states relating to the labelling, presentation and advertising of foodstuffs for sale to the ultimate con-

almost everyone, but seldom read. The laws behind them are a minefield of obscure and complicated exemptions and anomalies. The committee drew attention to them in a long and surprisingly caustic report two years ago. It could see no sense in to be shown on a tin of soup, but not on a tin of curry

all of the loopholes which allowed food companies to sell groceries without listing ingredients on the labels should be

report contained radical plans for tightening food labelling laws. The ministry has said nothing about them since, except that action must await the imposition here of the EEC directive.
The committee based its

gredients of all processed food and drink on the growth of supermarkets and of interest among consumers in what they "We have for some time

believed that it is no longer a defensible argument to propose to a consumer that to discover the ingredients of, for example, bread or ice cream she should visit the public library or buy the appropriate regulation from the Stationery Office." It was a sensible idea which the ministry has persistently sidestepped by appealing to the coming EEC directive. directive, requiring a list of ingredients. That was agreed by Com-to be shown on a tin of soup, munity ministers at the end of but not on a tin of curry 1978, after years of haggling powder. It suggested then that in Brussels.

The final version, which must be brought into the laws of all EEC countries this year, has not met with the approval of the Food Standards Commit-It pointed out that no ingre- tee. It considers that the dients had to be declared on clauses in the directive about the labels of sweets, cakes, his- the way in which labels are

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The ministry shows little cuits and alcoholic drinks. Its printed are looser than those in the British Labelling of Food Regulations (1970). It is worried that the EEC rules will allow food companies to use vague descriptions to mask the true nature of their products. The committee based its. The present rules are demand for the listing of in- means to ensure that a food

company which mixes pigs trotters and soya chunks in gravy and calls the result "traditional squire-style manor house broth " will have to state the true nature of the sub-stance clearly on its label. The members of the committee, who are supposed to understand these things as well as anyone, suspect that the EEC rules will allow the state ment of the true nature to be much less prominent. The com-mittee believes that imposition of the EEC rules in Britain will in some ways set back progress in food labelling laws by more than 25 years. There is a danger, in view of previous treatment of the committee's work by governments, that its warnings about the EEC directive will go unbeeded.

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The National Film Theatre's series "The Family in Japanese Cinema" is innovatory an attempt to examine a nation's whole social psychology through its films. Of course the Japanese, ordering things as neatly as they tend to do, invite this sort of thing: it is at the best of times hard to avoid best of times hard to avoid magazine articles and Radio Three talks about the bases of Japanese society and how they are able to reconcile keeping up the tea ceremony with making all those cars and tape recorders.

Hiroko Govaers, a Paris-based Japanese who has devised the programme, quotes a recent song hit in Japan, in which a prospective bridegroom exhorts his fiancée: "Always go to bed after me and get up before me. Cook well and be neat . . . and if I have a little affair, just put up with it." Even the popup with it." Even the pop-oriented young, it seems, respect some aspects at least of the traditional family structures. A social structure based on a

patriarchal family unit is perhaps the inevitable heritage of feudalism; perhaps it is en-demic to all monarchical demic to all monarchical systems. Nowhere, however, has the pattern been more dominant than in Japan. Sociologists point out that it goes far beyond the actual genealogical family. Industrial organizations, geisha houses, criminal organizations are equally based on a patri-archal structure, and on principles of familial solidarity and duty,

The tensions within the traditional social order have provided a rich and popular theme for Japanese film-makers practically from the beginning: one of the most familiar melodrama plots has been that of the erring daughter or son seeking some form of emancipation outside the unit but, ultimately, coming back to the fold. Even those films which have been most critical of the family system—such as Yuzo Kawashima's The Elegant Beast, which describes a perfectly evil family—actually



Yuzo Kawashima's The Elegant Beast . . . a perfectly evil family

In the same way it essentially a confirmation of the patriarchy that, of all the family, it is most commonly the father who becomes the butt of comedy or criticism. After all, there is no point in cocking snooks except at figures of real respect and power. The tather who loses his dignity by falling into those yery excesses he into those very excesses he forbids his sons—getting drunk or keeping mistresses—has been a regular figure of fun. In Yasujiro Ozu's comedy I Was Born But . . . (later remade as Good Morning!) the tragi-comedy lies in the children's loss of respect for the father whom they come to see as a boot-licking employee.

The mother, by contrast, is always revered. Mothers suffer, and sacrifice, are loyal to their husbands and give up all for their children's happi-ness. So revered, indeed, was ness. So revered, indeed, was the mother character in the past that the Japanese developed a special genre of film, the haha-mono or "mothermovie". The haha-mono was generally also in the class of the o-namida chodai ciga, or "tears-please films". Perhaps the films of all mother films. the finest of all mother films is the single work by Ozu included in the NFT season, The Only Son. In this an old mother through her goodness and love overcomes her disappointment at finding her errant son married and unemployed in the depressed. Tokyo of the 1930s.

In the post-war era the erosion of the rigid old structures, and the Japanese woman's search for a more positive role, produced a new genre, the *isuma-mono*, or sentiments of a society and theatre; and between 1941 and "wife-movie". The wife now a time. A great artist like Ozu his death made more than fifty

prove, by their vehemence, its sought an identity other than that either of actual mother or surrogate mother to her husband, in work or a career. Daughters in the run-of-themill Japanese film have usually come in pairs: there is the good, "miditional" girl, dedicated to her home and never

seen out of her kimono; and the "modern" girl, with her western clothes, western music and American slang. The conflict reflects an essential schizophrenia in Japanese society at large. The denoue-ments most often reflect the conservatism of film makers: generally it is the old-fashioned girl who gets the guy, and so shows modern sister the folly of her ways.

The conflict in the character of the son is somewhat different, though again it is one which has informed Japanese literature for generations. "If the father is the shivered pillar of the Japanese family", wrote the historian Donald Richie, almost two decades ago, "then the son is the slender sapling upon which the entire edifice will eventually lean." His youthful wildness may lead him into errors, but eventually the over-riding sense of duty, added to the dutiful suffering and sacrifice of mother and sisters, will bring him back to the home and a recognition of his role.

Such a bald summary of traditional roles can be misleading; but it does fairly reflect the attitudes of a large number of popular films over many years and so, presumably, a preferred Japanese self-image. Often, too, it is the most popular and the most conventional films which most accurately record the

or Mizoguchi, grasping and revealing essential human truths, will transcend the shal-lower and more immediate concerns of his time and society. Common minds are often more equipped to deal with common concerns.

The special interest of the films in the current NFT season then is that they are not, this time, all great works by the great masters. There are, true, films by Ozu, Heinosuke, Gosho, Keisuke Kinoshita and Kon Ichikawa; but there is also a chance to discover the work of once-prominent and prolific directors like Yasujiro Shimazu, Yutaka Abe and Mikio Naruse, who have until now been no more than names in the history books.

Francesco Pasinetti is another name hardly known in this country, but a Shelley-like legend in the history of Italian cinema. Though he was only 38 when he died in 1949, he was already, as a teacher, and, in the last year of his life, director of the Centro Sperimentale in Rome, the undisputed maestro for a generation which in-cluded Fellini, Antonioni, Piet-rangeli, Maselli and the actress

He was born in Venice in 1911; the city dominated his best work, whether his single feature film. Il Canale degli Angeli, made when he was 23, or the remarkable series of Veneziar desurgations and Venetian documentaries and photographs. He began to work as a film critic when he was a 19-year-old student of art his-tory at Padua; and his Storia del Cinema (1939) still retains the status of a classic text. He wrote and designed for the theatre: and between 1941 and

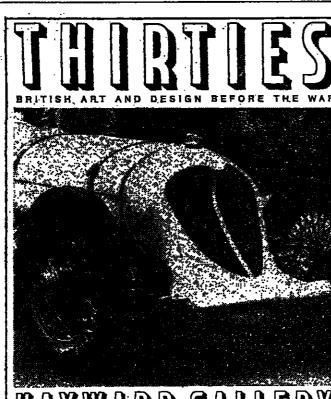
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The Riverside Studios, in association with the Galleria del Cavallino, Venice, are this month presenting a tribute to the varied achievements of Pasinetti. An exhibition of still photographs when during the photographs taken during the making of Venezia Minore offers a rich visual record of wartime Venice. On January 26 there will be a screening of films by Pasinetti, including Il Canale degli Angeli and Venezia Minore; it is hoped that Antonioni will take part in a forum on the influence of Pasinetti Pasinerii.
The Electric Cinema Club is

presenting the first British screening of Samm's Brew, R. W. Fassbinder's exercise in high bad taste, made in 1976. It is a bizarre, full-blooded black comedy with Kurt Raab as a revolutionary poet who never writes anything but develops writes anything, but develops the obsession that he is the German poet Stefan George—an identity which requires him to don a wig and play homosexual. His household includes a shrewish little blonde wife, a girl who is supposed to support him on immoral earnings, a warty and bespectacled lady fan from the country and a mad brother who collects dead flies on which he has obscure sexual

There is a frenzy about it all to which you will either submit or not. Personally I prefer Fass-binder's comedy when he plays it straight; and in any case, after a mere four years, the permissive-era anxiety to shock the bourgeoisie already looks a bit dated. Still, it is definitely a collector's piece.

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It was both very male and very French and as befits an event of such confusion and comor such confusion and com-plexity it yielded a programme full of confusing statistics. One hundred and fifty cyclists set out on last year's Tour de France to cycle 2,400 miles in four weeks, averaging 20 miles an hour. They were followed by 200 cars, escorted by 26,000 gendarmes, and rode on machines that cost £2,500 each. After 24 days, 90 completed the course, the winner reaching the finish in Paris three minutes ahead of the runner-up.

Well, there had to be more

to it than statistics. And fortu-nately for the programme there was. Commercialism, for a start. The small town of Fleurance paid £55,000 to have the race start there, and any village en route that pleaded to be spared the tour circus, was quickly nobbled by the political pull of the race's organizer. So the cir-cus always came to town: Michelin tyre men, policemen moonlighting to advertise underpants and journalists who rode behind, saw nothing, but filed rumours each night. And among the colourful carry-on our

the colourful carry-on our intrepid camera crew.

The race was a marathon of endurance; so was the editing of the film. Only by keeping cameras turning constantly could they have picked up such viguettes as the rider rinsing the same while ever the constanting the his eyes while cycling, the bunching and collision of cycles as their riders grabbed for foodbags, the visiting trio of British cycling enthusiasts, who have been spectators since 1957, and a kaleidoscopic sequence of evocative images—barbecues, faces, breakfasts, handlebars

muscles, fog, and the yellow sweater of the leader. The mileage of the film must have matched the mileage of the race. In selecting and pacing it the

filmmakers, with Robert Toner as producer, went for a colourfully impressionistic account. Not for them any heavy-handed judgments. Cases of drugs, fixing, and even the death in an earlier year of a British cyclist, were mentioned without breaking in on the tone of rather startled enjoyment. Jack Pizzey was the reporter gently startled by all these manic French intics. Naturally, he sought out Britain's only rider, a genially modest Paul Sherwen, and a British team riding for Raleigh who turned out to be Conti-nentals managed by a Dutch-man. The English, he explained, did not have the mentality for it. In the event, neither did the team. I don't hold it against them. The race may have been French but the programme was delightfully English. Bur then, they have the mentality for it. I forcefulness.



William Pool (Otto the Swineherd), with pigs, in The Pig Organ, the opera by Richard Blackford which opened at the Round House last night

choreography puts much emphasis on delicate, precise

and quick footwork, which is not Porter's greatest strength. I thought she was overdoing the winsomeness in her acting

at first, but perhaps that is unfair; I was probably watch-ing her more closely than one usually does because the ugly

sisters are so boring this

Cinderella Covent Garden

John Percival

The Covent Garden Orchestra, which sounded distinctly screechy when Cinderella returned to the repertory before Christmas, has settled down to it nicely; might the initial difficulties have been another symptom of this season's rebearsal difficulties arising from the pay negotiations? Barry Wordsworth has taken over from Ashley Lawrence as conductor for the latter part of the run and maintains his

new cast in the romantic leads. Marguerite Porter brings a more glamorous air than Lesley Collier did to the ballroom build a character and is con- service. That is no way to build scene, but she does not dance centrating instead on visual for the Royal Ballet's future.

Not so, perhaps, if you see them once only, because they go through the routines worked predecessor's crisp rhythms. Wednesday brought another out by earlier, better casts; but there is no spark of origi-

seasop.

Ehrhardt/Drake Purcell Room

Max Harrison

Flute and harp, alone or together, tend to melifluous, pastoral, sensuous modes of expression and it was interesting at Wednesday night's concert by Marianne Ehrhardt and Susan Drake to observe how different composers cope with this, either swimming with the tide or against it. Berio's Sequenza is a rather niggling exploration of the unaccompanied flute's more abrasive potentialities and hence a move against accepted stereotypes. Miss Ehrhardr's account of it was persuasive, but Ibert's Pièce fell more gratefully on the ear. This essays the French pastoral vein, yet with an unexpected

The main event, however, was what must have been the first performance in recent decades of Bax's Sonata for flute and harp (not to be confused with the one for harp and viola). This was written in 1928, had a few performances, and then was lost, but survived in a unique, lately rediscovered, photostat copy. If the music did not seem entirely unfamiliar to Wednesday's assembled Baxians it is because this turns out to be the piece that he recomposed as the Concerto for

It was fescinating to hear the original version, though, and this is a real addition to the repertoire. Excellently devised for flute and barp, the instruments are interrelated in a variety of unstandardized ways. The performance had conviction, and this medium has the advantage of thinning out Bax's characteristic textures, which are too consistently rich for some tastes, though not for mine.

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so surely or so musically. If you could combine the best qualities of both, you would have a good Cinderella. In the kitchen scenes, the gags. Many couples have played the roles apart from the famous Ashton-Helpmann team, but I cannot remember such a dull result.

Mark Silver made a fine, swaggering entrance as the prince, looked well in the costume, partnered attentively and danced with bounding energy. His big solo seemed rather unfocused, but it went with enough of a flourish to get by. Once again, as earlier in the

run, the ensemble of 12 mid-night fairies provided more secure, polished and enjoyable dancing then most of the soloists. There is fresh young talent available, but (contrary to the declared policy) it has nal life in their playing. Even few chances to develop while Michael Coleman seems to the limited performing time have given up the attempt to goes mainly to reward long service. That is no way to build

> Stephen Dodgson's Duo proved more lightweight, less enterprising, yet was again idiomatic. There is insufficient difference between the first three of the four movements, but the results were still enjoyable. Michael Finnissy's Kajami-Jishi, a work commissioned by the Arts Council which was receiving its first hearing, was naturally harder to grasp. The title means "Mirror reflection of the lion spirit" and the composer's programme note described it as " a favourite setpiece of Kabuki and has been adapted for Bun-raku" (puppet thearre). Perhaps it might be more telling in that setting because although the work features some intriguing effects for both instruments, it seemed, on initial hearing, rather shapeless.

Some of the reviews on this page are reprinted from vesterday's later editions

Lindsay Quartet Queen Elizabeth Hall

William Mann

Wednesday was the 75th birth-day of Sir Michael Tippett. In day of Sir Michael Tippett. In the evening he went to South Bank and heard the first London performance of his fourth string quartet which appropriately occupied the first half of the Lindsay Quarter's contribution to the current "Mainly Beethoven" series there When it was over he took there. When it was over he took the platform, looking as zestful as ever and hardly older than the four youngsters beside him, for whom he had written it and who are loyally cham-pioning the new quartet all over Britain this year. It gave the perfect opportunity for the audience to convey birthday greenings in person, and we did so vociferously when eventually the Lindsays sent him back for a solo call.

There was inevitably limited space in our "Festivals Supplement" last month for Paul Griffiths to more than summarily discuss Tippett's fourth quartet in his report on the Bath Festival at which its first performance took place. Thirtythree years separate it from its predecessor, years which have seen the composition of Tippetr's four operas, as well as three symphonies, three piano sonaras, and much else in which his musical language has taken giant strides, not so much to-wards greater elaboration as to-wards clarity and intensity of expression.

With its single-movement structure of four sections thematically unified, the new quartet will appear like a parergon to the fourth symphony, as the second piano sonata (also in one movement) was related to the opera King Priam. The slow first movement shudders into being, tremolos alternating with still, more or less vibrant chords, like the contractions of maternal labour—a parallel to the start of the fourth symphony. The programme note by Meirion Bowen, Tippen's chief disciple, encourages us to regard the whole quartet as another "birth to death" cycle.

From those preliminary stir-rings the music erupts into a big, argumentative, vigorous quick movement, Tippett's own adaptation of classical sonata form, development being replaced by another varied recapitulation, since the music is developing all the time (he explained the process in his interview with me, published in last Saturday's edition of The Times).The third movement, as it

were a Beethoven adagio rethought in Tippett's own present-day terms, includes profound calm, weightless dancing, familiar in his music at least since Boyhood's End, and the evocation of benevolent magic, likewise central to his musical imagery. It is doubtless in-tended as the quarter's emotional core though at present it seems rather an intermezzo between two vital quick movements, the finale truly invigorating, with a deliberate near-quoration from Beethoven's Grosse Fuge that looks back to the equivalent movement in Tippett's third symphony. Gradually the energy abates into a serene, harmonious coda, surely not the calm of death, fident and loving heart. The performance, fully appreciative of the music's sympathetic string writing and vivid emo-tion, must have been the perfect birthday present for its genial composer.

Peter Frankl Wigmore Hall

Joan Chissell

There was further proof on Wednesday of Peter Frankl's long devotion to Schumann when he launched a series of five recitals devoted to the composer's piano music. If not constituting quite as complete a survey as his recent undertaking for the gramophone, certainly all the major works can be heard from him at Wigmore Hall within the next six weeks, more often than not with some specific theme or grammes.

On Wednesday the basic link was the dance; the spirit of masquerade so dear to Schumann in youth. Rather than overdoing things, Frankl omitted Papillons, the composer's first night out of this kind. first night out of this choosing instead to flank the Davidsbundlertunze of 1837 with the slightly earlier Carnaval and slightly later Faschingsschwank

aus Wien.
For all three works he found For all three works he found unbounded physical energy and exuberance of spirit. His plunge into Faschingsschwank aus Wien at the outset of the recital made the piece more of a jest from a little farther down the Danube—his own hotter-blooded Budapest, lu this first movement and the finale speed movement and the finale, speed and zest occasionally militated against finesse. But the middle movements were persuasive, especially the ardent intermezzo.

Moving on to the Davidsbundlertanze, with all its secrets for Schumann's bride-to-be. Mr Frankl favoured sharp contrasts between the Florestan and Eusebius in the composer's make-up. Occasionally his Florestan was a little too boisterous, with some coarsening of tone and thickening of texture. But there were many compensating beauties from the introspective Eusebius, with melodies warmly and winningly phrased. Frankl also made much of hidden thematic links and developments.

In Carnaval Schumann assembled members of his Davidsbund to fight the Philistines. Here, Mr Frankl's approach was bold and brave enough to suggest that he could scatter all enemies single-handed. Per-haps some of the requested majesty was missing from the introduction, as also from the "Valse Noble". But intervening character studies were piquant-

ly contrasted, and the con-cluding march was a virtuoso tour de jorce.

Nastase may yet pay for his lapses

By Rex Bellamy
Tennis Correspondent
Wolfek Fibak and Tom Okker,
a cocktall of intellectual and
physical energy, are resiless men
who are always looking for something interesting to do. They play
tennis the same way, adding a
joyous flair for improvisation to
their discretion and discipline, in
the Braniff Airways doubles tournament ar Olympia their taste for
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nament at Olympia their taste for colympia has been indulged to excess: they have won both their matches, but the six sets to go their way have all been decided a tie-break games. Cliff-hanging is exciting, but three times a day is overdoing it.

Yesterday they beat Christopher Mottram and I've Nastase, 7—6, 3—6, 7—6, in three hours. Mind you, a lot of pauses are built into the rules of tennis, these days and Nastase tends to invent a few of his own. Fibak and Okker are too experienced and intelligent to allow Nastase to upset them. But Okker did get rather cross about what he considered to be weak umpiring. "I don't care what Nastase does, but the umpire has to be tough. He must control the match."

Fibak made another sound point when he said that Nastase was probably aware that he was unlikely to be disqualified that it was difficult for an umpire to go to such longths and that the profile.

likely to be disqualified that it was difficult for an umpire to go to such lengths and that the penalty point system was the best way to deal with behavioral problems. This system imposes automatic penalties of points, games, and possibly the match itself. It has been more effective than any other method of discipline but is not jised by World Championship Ten-tis, who are promoting the

Olympia event.

Michael Davies. the WCT executive director, said he was not yet satisfied that players accepted the system or that the public understood it. John McDonald, the tournament director, said the umpires should be able to "bandle" such situations and the WCT had a method of fining players by withholding prize money. He would consult the tournament referee and the urnament referee and the npires' manager about Nastase's

ing their first touranment together.
They have only three sets to show from two good performances against tough opposition but the



It rained indoors as well yesterday: Mottram and Nastase supervise mopping up to ensure no slip-ups on their side blend of Mottram's solid per-centage tennis and Nastase's agile versatility has been impressive. They should certainly not be dis-couraged. This is hardly the easiest of tournaments for a new

lo yesterday's first set they were three times a break ahead and had three set points. They won the second and were twice a break up in the third. The snag was the fact that Nastase's serving and volleying lacked authority when it was most needed. But this was a fine match, illuminated throughout by the brilliance of Fibak—notably in the shrewd judgment and delectable touch of

his finesse in the forecourt.

Bob Hewitt and Frew McMillan, who had played well on the first day without quite managing to shake the hold of Fibak and Okker, moved into a slightly higher gear in beating Peter Fleming and Tomas Smid 6-4, 2-6, 6-4, 6-4 in two hours and 20 minutes. What a delight Hewitt and McMillan are. They first won Wimbledon in 1967 and they still play the same way, though McMillan suspects he may not blast his service returns quite as hard as he used to.

Watching these two is an edu-Watching these two is an edu-cation in tennis as a whole and the doubles game in particular.

They see openings where others see nothing. Opponents spend a lot of time bending and lunging for devilishly awkward shots.

Fleming and Smid won the Italian championship last May. Both are gifted doubles players but tris is only their third tournament in harness. Yesterday they lost the first set but in the second never had a break point they lost the first set but in the second never had a break point against them—and broke both Hewitt and McMillan. Their psychological momentum was arrested when Hewitt and McMillan broke Fleming's service in the first game of the third set and jumped back into the driving seat.

In the fourth set Smid was broken in the fifth game but at 4—3 Hewitt lost his service in a game of four deuces, which was a rather tiresome setback on the brink of victory. The crux came in the pext game! Smid lost his service while he and his partner were still savouring their reprieve. Hewitt and McMillan needed no more chances.

Mrs Lloyd wins the points that

matter Landover. Maryland. Jan 3.— Christine Lloyd crushed the Australian. Dianne Fromholts, 6—1, 6—4 last night in her opening match of the women's tournament. match of the women's tournament, sponsored by Colgate. Martina Navratilova and Evonne Cawley had earlier coasted to casy victories and they were joined as initial winners in the round-robin series by Tracy Austin. who defeated Wendy Turnbull 6-1, 6-0.

Mrs Lloyd was too consistent from the baseline for Miss Fromholtz, who made many unforced errors, particularly at a critical point in the second set when she had Mrs Lloyd trailing 0-40 with a chance to move to a 4-2 lead. But Mrs Lloyd hit two backhand cross-court ground strokes that caught the line on Miss Fromholt's side for winners. Miss Fromholtz erred twice on easy forchands, and Mrs Lloyd was able to lettel the set, and then take the march. the match.
Miss Austin romped to victory in only 50 minutes against Miss Turnbull, who never came to terms with a series of flat, crisp back-court shots. Miss Austin's win set up a second round meeting with Mrs Lloyd, whom she beat in the finals of the US open last autumn. Miss Navratilova will play Mrs Cawley in the other second-round winners' mauth. The losers of yesterday's matches go into the losers' bracket in the double elimination event which brings together the eight leaders of the 1979 women's tour Miss Navratilova, currently ranked No. 1 in the world. disposed of the Australian Kerry Reid, 6-3, 6-0 in 46 minutes, 10 fewer than Mrs Cawley needed to begt Regina Marsikova 6-1, 6-1. The opening match saw the

begt Regina Marsikova 6—1, 6—1.

The opening math saw the more-experienced Mrs Cawley exploit 31 errors by Miss Marsikova, who also had difficulty with her first service.

RESULTS: Mrs R. Cawley (Anstralia beat Miss R. Marsikova (Czechoslovakia 6—1, 6—1 Miss M. Navratilova istateles) best Mrs K. Reid (Australia 6—3, 6—0 Mrs C. Lloyd (17) beat Miss D. Prombolic (Australia 6—1, 6—1) Depublic semi-finals; Mrs R. J. Kino (19: and Miss Marratilova beat Miss I. Kinos (Smith Adrira) and Miss R. A. Stuart (US) 6—3, 6—2. AP and Agence France-Presse.

Brearley chief victim of Australian derision

From John Woodcock

Cricket Correspondent Svdney, Jan 3 ; Further heavy rain, which continued until hunchitine goday, by when it had lasted for 36 hours, has unset, calculations for tomorrow's, second, Test much between England and Australia. No one knows now how, when the match starts, the pitch will play. Having been ancovered until yesterday norsing it seems sure to be damper than the curator had intended.

that was for a very different reason.

Researley is made the scapegoal for England's perfectly reasonable decision not to put the Ashes at stake; he is also held responsible for their standing out against playing their coneday games in prismas, or what knot this prismas, and for refusing to play to a "circle rule" which both the Australians and West Indiaes have had experience of and England have not. Nor have the likes of Trusman and Greig helped by their remarks on television. When for nactical reasons. Ereardey play. Having, been ancovered until yesterday morning it seems sure so be, damper than the curator fad intended.

A week- or two ago, when looking the seed to sandorcost's game, the England party expected the Australian players to be coming straight from a five day, masch in the Melbourne sun. Inspead of wilkin. Australia were beaten by West Indies on Tuesday, in three and a half days, and have had pleaty of time to recover. England were size honding for a day pitch. hurning dasty—which is now inshelves because of the rain. When announcing the 12 players from whom the England side, will be chosen; the manager, Alet. Bedser, gave the impressions that Embury will be left out, which would leave Willey as the second spin border. Dilley has again been meferred to Leve.

The brind was Sydney's first, apart from the occasioned shower, for many weeks. Today, as yesterday, it kept England from practising, so that when the match starts Whits, Dilley.

Bocken and Underwood will have had a dreatful run, and Bodtam and cowed, for the best part of a formight. Even so it is England's betting that is the chile worry. Randal has had a dreatful run and Bodtam and cowed, for the best part of a formight. Even so it is England to the saido by Brearley this morning are in the headlines of this evening's Sydney newspapers. Referring to the behaviour of Australian cowed, it is a front page banner in the headlines of this evening's Sydney newspapers. Provided the saido by Brearley this being like by a missile. Someone will be killed "is a front page banner in the Sydney Daily Mirror: "Death fear "is emblazoned across the Back page of the Sun. Not even Douglas lardine in 1932-33 can being run and stop being in such a fearful, the pag

Umpiring questions raised

Perth, Ian 3.—The West Indies captain, Clive Lloyd, today questioned the policy of blooding so many umpires in international fixtures. Aiready in Australia this season nine umpires have made their first appearances in international one day games and one in a Test match. And only once in either Test or one day internationals has an umpire officiated in successive matches. Overall, 17 umpires have officiated in this season's international programme. Lloyd believes the comminal changes have had an effect on the umpiring standard. "You can't just throw an umpire into international crarket without the proper build-up and experience," he said.

"Soule of the decisions have been a bit dicey at times." He felt the

Sadri arrives to claim easy win

Auckland, Jan 3.-The controrerstal American player. John Sadri, arrived here today to take his place as top seed in the New Zealand open after confusion over whether he was in or out. Sadri, aged 23. defeated by the organize Guillermo Vilas in the singles final of the Australian open in Melbourne vesterday, had upset tournament officials here by sending them a telegram saying he was withdrawing. After urgent telephone calls. Sadri turned up and made a convincing start, heating the Austrian. Filippe Krajak. 6-3, 6-2

Star under Anfield's wing

dominating this season's football than 20 years ago, said.

scene, have established an unusual link with British tension. link with British tennis. Their chairman, John Smith, has been instrumental in obtaining a valu-instrumental in obtaining a valu-able private sponsorship for Kate Brasher, aged 17, the national junior grasscourt champion and one of the country's best young

prospects.

The financial backers
Hitachi, whose name Live Hitacki, whose name Liverpool carry on their red shirts. Although the sum involved is not disclosed. it is enabling Miss Brasher, who is in her first year as a full-time player, to travel more extensively Her mother, Shirley Brasher, said continual increases in travel and hotel accommodation costs had become prohibitive for the young. "They simply cannot afford it and it means they must lose out on the chance of gaining experi-ence through playing abroad," Mrs Brasher, a former inter-

The financial backing was arranged by Mr Smith, who is chairman of the Government inquiry into British tennis, Miss Brasher's record had to survive a stiff examination by the sponsors. She is taking her first bold step to establish herself on the tough international circuit. Earlier this week she left for the United States to contest the ten weeks of the to contest the ten weeks of the Avon series of tournaments. There was one minor snag. Liverpool wanted Miss Brasher to wear one of their track suits but the company who provide her clothing would not agree. Miss Brasher, whose father Chris was a 1936 Olympic gold medalist, has promised to watch Liverpool when-

MELBOURNE

Football

Former sergeant marches on

Hobart, Jan 3.—A former Israeli Army sergeant, Schlomo Glickstein continued recent good form by knocking an Australian Davis Cup player, Mark Edmondson, out of the Australian hard court tennis championships here today. The powerfully-built Glickstein, Israel's No 1. won the second round match 5—7, 6—3, 6—4 against Edmondson, who played with an injured foot.

Edmondson is the third casualty

Edmondson is the third casualty imong players funcied to win the title. An Australian, Brad Drewett, was eliminated on Tuesday and his Davis Cup partner. Peter Mac-namara, withdrew this morning. MEN'S SINGLES: First round: C. Rachri (Australia: beat H. Fritz (Canada., 7—5, 6—6; T. Rocabert (Australia: beat G. Petrovic US., 7—6; T.—6; T.—7; Second (Australia: T.—5, 6—3; S. Glickstein (Israel: beat M. Edmontson (Australia: Talia: 3—7, 6—4, 6—4)

Echoes of famous names Warwick rallied briefly to break Auckland, Jan 3.-Tracy Austin's Warwick rallied briefly to break back in the fourth game, but could not go through with the effort. Two Americans, John Sadri and Tim Willdson, seeded first and second respectively, won first-round matches. Sadri defeated Fillip Krajcik, of Austria, 6—3; Wilkison was forced to a tie-break by Peter Langsford, of New Zealand, before taking command to win 7—6, 6—0.

prother John brought off an upset victory in the Auckland international tennis tournament today, but Chris Lloyd's brother, Richard Evert, was beaten. brothers of the two famed American women players produced widely varying performances. John Austin toppled the fourth-seeded Kim Warwick, of Australia, 4-6. 6-4, 6-4 in the second round of the men's singles: Richard Evert fell quickly, 6—4, 6—2, to a New Zealander, Russell Simpson, in an-other second-round match. Warwick looked in command Warnick looked in command against Austin in the opening set, but the American pulled out added force, range and direction in his ground shots in the second set to level the match. Austin continued to put on pressure in the decider, breaking Warwick's service in the first and third games.

MEN'S SINCLES: First round: J Sent (US: beat F Krajck: Austria 6-3, 6-2; New York (S) beat round. R. Simpon NZ: beat R. Synches (S) 6-4; R. Synches (S) 6-4; R. Frawley (Austria 6-4), R. Creaty (Austria 6-4), Frawley (Austria 6-4), NOVEN'S SINGLES: Second round liss J. Newberry (US) best Miss J. Remilton (Australia), 6—1, 6—2; Miss J. Gurdal (Beiglum) beat Miss J. Sonn (Canada), 5—0, 6—1; Miss J. Harrison (Australia) beat Miss J. Mon sour France's 6—5, 2—6, 6—2.

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receipt of winnings may be delayed.

Moore misses highlight of the season

A combination of ice and water his place goes to his younger aused both last night's FA Cup brother, 20-year-old David, eplays at Wimbledon and North-vich to be called off. They will be played on Saturday, Wimble make his first appearance at ted a lot of enthusiasm.

A combination of ice and water his place goes to his younger another big day here. Palace are of the most attractive sides of replays at Wimbledon and North-wich to be called off. They will be played on Saturday, Wimble-don's Plough Lane pitch was ruled unfit by the Hounslow referee Colin Downey for the second re-play against Ponsmouth. Middles-brough, who were due to meet the winners in the third round on Saturday, now have a free after-noon.

Non-league Northwich Victoria's Drill Field pitch was also water-logged, with a sheet of ice below the surface, and their tie against fourth division Wigan has been put back again, to Saturday. The winners were due at Chelsea on Saturday. withers were due at Chelsea on Saturday.

The Football Association said that the delayed third round game at Chelsea would provisionally be pencilled in for Wednesday, January 9. A date has yet to be arranged for Wimbledon or Portsmouth's home tie against Middlesbrough.

A two match suspension has

two match suspension has runed the Grimsby defender, Kevin Moore's hopes of clinching a possible £250.000 move to Liver-pool with a good display against them at Anfield on Saturday. The promising 21-year-old has attracted several top clubs this season, including the champions, but has to miss the highlight of Grimsby's Paiace at Vexth Field. Swansea, season after collecting 20 disciplinary points. By a strange twist.

ger. Tommy McAnearney is ing every available player Ing every available player

Halifax are another fourth division side hoping to provide a
giantkilling performance against

Manchester City, who were
dumped out of last season's fourth
round by Shrewsbury. But George
Kirby's side will be without their
top scorer. Peter Burke, who was
nnable to complete a one-match
ban when the league game at York
was postponed on New Year's Day.
The kick-off has been moved to
2.0 to allow an increase in the
crowd limit to 16,560.

Manchester City will have defen-

Manchester City will have defenders Booth and Donachie fit, and Shinton is expected to return after being dropped to partner Robinson, who has recovered from a beet interes.

son, who has recovered from a back injury.

Wales could prove to be an unhappy hunting ground for London clubs, including the cup holders Arsenal. They travel to Cardiff, probably without the Irish trio of O'Leary (ankle). Brady (calf) and Nelson (hamstring), Cardiff expect a crowd of over 20.000.

Toshack is hoping to mastermind a Swansea victory over Crystal Paiace at Venth Field. Swansea, who beat Tottenham in last season's League Cup, have no injury

Manchester United have no injury worries and expect to be unchanged for their fifth successive game. Tottenham's diminutive striker, Gibson, has not trained since twisting his ankle in last weekend's debut but the manager, Keith Burkenshaw, said, "I'm hopeful he'll be fit but it depends on the ground condition". The goalkeeper, Daines, who has missed two games with a chipped finger bone, is still doubtful, but Spurs have the Argentine Villa Cross is out of West Ham's team for the visit to West Bromwich Albion, one of his former clubs. Although Cross has trained in a bid to be fit, the knee trouble which prevented him playing in the 4—0 win at Orient will again keep him on the side-lines.

Stepney, the former Man-chester United goalkeeper, is un-likely to decide until Saturday whether he can continue to feature in non-league Aitrinc-ham's FA Cup run when they entertain Orient. Stepney's mouth and jay needed extentive

Gould finds the way to Rovers clear

today whether to become Bristol Rovers's new manager. Mr Gould has been offered the job as Bobby Campbell's successor and is likely to accept if the terms are right. " A move to Rovers could solve "A move to Rovers could solve a demestic problem", Mr Geuld said. He still lives in Portishead on the Bristol Channel. The way was left clear for him by the withdrawal of Manchester City's Tony Book on Wednesday and the Torquay manager, Mike Green, yesterday.

yesterday.

Mr Green criticized Rovers's handling of the situation: "The lack of an offer or a decision by Rovers was upsetting my position at Torquay", he said. Despite Mr Gould's delayed decision, Rovers are going ahead with tonight's board meeting.

board meeting.

Chelsea's manager, Geoff Hurst, wants to preserve his three-month partnership with Mr Gould at Stamford Bridge. Whatever Mr Gould decides, he will be unable to influence team selection for tonight's FA. Cup third round game at home to Aston Vills. Rover's acting manager, Harold Jarman, has four players injured or ill—Stuart Taylor, Miah Dennehy, Phil Bater and Peter Airken.

Chelsea hope to complete the

increase in the basic wage offered by Chelsea. Mr Hurst said: "Colin has been in touch to say be would like to see some houses within reach of Stamford Bridge. Obviously this would seem to give Ustronay his would seem to give us the edge over the two other clubs exid to be chasing him." Both Crystal Palace and Derby had been linked with the former Torquay player who has been tried at full back by Tottenham this season. Chelses are without an FA Cup

cheeses are without an A Cup game tomorrow, because of the further postponement of the match between Northwich Victoria and Wigan last night. The two clubs will now meet in the second round tomorrow, giv-ing Chelses a day off. Manchester United's first over-seas player, the Red Star Belgrade defender Nikolai Jevanovic, arrived in London yesterday to complete transfer formalities. Jovanovic said: "I want to play for United because I think they are the best team in Britain and they have offered me the best terms."

or ill—Stuart Taylor. Mish Dennehy, Phil Bater and Peter Aitken.

Cheises hope to complete the signing of the Totterham striker, Colin Lee, today for £200,000. Leaves always said: "Nothing is

signature". The gransfer fee is understood to be about \$250,000. The Surewsbury midfield player. Sammy Chapman, has been granted a transfer request after losing his first team place. Chapman, aged 33, rejoined the club three months ago after a season in the North American league with Tulsa Roughnecks but he was drowned after the Rough. he was dropped after the Boxing bay defeat at Preston. He was formerly with the two Nottingham clubs for 13 seasons.

clubs for 13 seasons.

The Sinewsbury player-manager.
Graham Turcer, whose own return
after injury has squeezed out
Chapman, said: "Sammy does not
fancy ending his career on the
subs' bench or in our reserves
and wants first team football with
another club.".

Brighton have agreed to sell
their indifield player, Paul Clark,
to the fourth division club, Portsmouth, for f100,000. The move will
bring Brighton's transfer income
in two months near \$500,000 in two months near 5500,000 following the departure of goal-keeper Eric Steele to Waiford (£100,000), striker Ted Maybank to Fulham (£150,000) and Malcolst Fulham (£150,000) and Malcolm Poskett, who completed a £115,000 move to Warford yesterday. Sheffield United signed the Stoke City striker, Viv Busby, ves-terday on loan and he goes straight into the side for to-morrow's third division game at Chesterfield.

Latest European snow reports Conditions Off Runs to plate resort

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County hockey draw The draw for the quarter-final round of Men's Hockey County Championship, sponsored by Rank-Xerox, made today is: Bucking-hamshire v Cheshire: RAF v Middlesex: Worcestershire v Essex; Yorkshire v Davon.

Fenner trophy dates Vorkslare will play Hampshare on Wednesday, August 27 and Lei-cestershire meet Sussex the following day in the 1980 Fenner Trophy knock-out cricket competition at Scarborough. The winners contest the final on Friday. August 29.

Cycling

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OUEEN'S CLUB, London Women's singles, quarter-final round: Miss C. Harrison beet Miss D. Morgan, 6—4, 6—2; Miss J. Harris beet Miss J. Ravet-Levals, 6—4, 6—2; Miss D. Parter bort Miss S. McChiloch, 6—1, 7—7, 7—3; Miss L. Locks beat Miss L. Pennington, 6—3, 6—1, 6—1 Boxing TOKYO: WBC light-firweight chem-pionship: Shipeo Nakajima (Japan) best Kim Sung Jun (South Korea),

Bobsleigh

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Australia spring surprise and British hopes falter

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Australia bit back almost at once with Irvine converting a short corner with an equally fine hit and the game was evenly balanced until helf-time. Four minutes before the break, however, Foulkes, one of the main props in Britain's defence, earned himself a green card for an aggressive tackle.

From Sydney Friskin
Karachi, Jan 3

Australia 3 Great Britain 1

Britain's first match in the tournament for the Champions Irophy, sponsored by Pakistan International Afrilines, ended in defeat by Australia here today. After a tough midfield struggle, typical of matches between these teams, Australia proved more teams, Australia proved more versatile and won clearly on merit.

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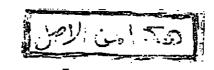
Boxing Duff moves to catch United States TV eye

offered a free look at Charlie Magri in the hope of raising enough interest in him to finance a world title bout for him in this a world title bout for him in this country. This coinpilcated promotional scheme, put forward by the London matchmaker Micky Duff. involves compiling a 10-minute film of Magri's greatest moments and offering it free of charge to the three American metworks. ARC, CRS and NRC. The material for the film would be available from past television coverage of Magri's 16 professional boust. 13 of which ended inside the distance.

"Getting a world title fight for Magri this year would be no problem. The problem would be gening it in this country." Mr Duff said yesterday. He estimated that as much as helf a million dollars might be required to finance a contest here between Magri and the world champion. Chang life Park. In the current chimate of world professional boxing this would not be possible without American television money.

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Still falls the rain. The face at the clubbouse window is that of Nigel Philcox as he runs an eye over a Rye wet and ...

A day when enjoyment came after the golf

Golf Correspondent

It is not uncommon in the early rounds of the President's Putter for the weather to take preca-dence over the golf. Yesterday the first round of this masochistic annual festival was such a day. Heavy rain borne on a stiff breeze mingled with the frost in the ground, producing unpleasant, uncertain conditions in which enjoyment was confined to the interior of that beleagured fortress. Rve clubbouse.

The first round contained some The first round contained some interesting matches, a repetition for example of the 1964 final between Donald Steel and Michael Attenborough, a hard match for the holder and 1978 winner. Michael Reece, against Michael Grint and Clive Edginton's match against Andrew Swanston, a former winner. But as the weather not worse it became impossible to got worse it became impossible to take the golf seriously and anyone down at the turn could be excused for not making a glorious comeback. In such conditions comeback. In such conditi defeats do not have to explained or excused and pride of place goes, instead, to eccentricities of the game.

Notable among them yesterday as the hammer and four inch

having mislaid his tripod tee, having mislaid his tripod tee, armed himself as a precaudon against being unable to force the tee peg into the ground by hand. By the end of his match he might well have preferred to have fur-nished himself with a sponge or a mop, for the rain became trapped on top of the half frozen ground and casual water made one of its rare appearances at Rye. Webster's forethought may be said to have been rewarded for he recorded his first victory, over D. E. Simons, in the tournament, although, his appearances have been limited to the law half.

dozen years.
Survival in some cases depended as much on anything on becoming proof against the weather. Grint for example in defeating Reece for example in defeating Reece somehow contrived to keep his hands dry and warm which helped him to flud his touch on the greens and to avoid the grosser errors in the long game. Grint started at the 10th which he birdled and by the turn was five up. Reece came back at him, but with four holes to go missed a with four holes to go, missed chance of reducing the gap

been limited to the last half

Grint finished him off by put-

bered that for a ball to smy on the green at a short hole was generally the exception rather than the rule, and this was speci-ally true of the seventh hole this match finished.

Grint is familiar with links golf or he plays mostly at Rye and for he plays mostly at Rye and has for years been a Merchistonian stalwart in the Halford-Hewitt. Surprisingly, he has yet to make much impression in the Putter, Attenborough avenged his defeat at the hands of Steel in the delayed 1964 final. Both have played so many matches over much the same period in this

much the same period in this event that it is surprising that they had met only once before yesterday. Attenborough got his nose in front by winning the third and fourth in fours and became two up at the eighth with another four. He won none of these test-ing holes easily and the match was distinguished by a number of fine strokes.

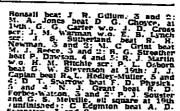
At the time greens, which had been frozen hard, were beginning to collect water and it was difficult to believe the ball needed hitting as hard as it did. Perhaps Attenborough was quicker to adapt himself to the treacherous and ordious conditions. Clima Edeiman odious conditions. Clive Edginton, runner-up in 1976, had a slight advantage round the greens, over

in the draw only after a last minute scratching by B. H. Chapman. Another former winner, Robin

Riggs, was rather surprisingly beaten by Alex Aldrich-Blake. Biggs has been playing his golf on the well saturated turf of Roylake and in the early morning, before the rain became heavy, he could not adept in time to the frozen conditions. Aldrich-Blake was helped by a two at the ninth was helped by a two at the ninth where he drove to the front of the green and then, after securing a half against the run of play at the 10th, took the lead with a birdie at the 11th.

One of the biggest victories of / the day went to John Uzielli who drove well and managed to keep the continuous rain off his glasses. His victim by seven and six was

the continuous rain off his glasses. His victim by seven and six was Brandow an American and a recent Oxford Blue, who has flown over from New York. Uzielli was out in 37 and there was little change to be had from that. Brandow is not the first American to brave the elements in this event, and he can draw comfort from a predecessor, Sandy Tatum, president of the United States Golf Association, who after an early defeat in the Putter went on to enjoy himself enormously in the subsidiary event.





Hammer and nail were handy irons for teeing in the frost.

hard as nails, as Dr Bruce Webster found on his round.

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Sandown to get another chance today

By Michael Phillips

Racing Correspondent Sandown Park may stage the first race meeting of the New Year this afternoon. Today's card at Haydock Park was abandoned vesterday and tomorrow's depends on another inspection today. After walking round Sandown Park yesterday aftermoon the stewards decided to make a further inspection at seven o'clock this morning, before deciding whether racing there is possible

whether racing there is possible today.

The course was still not fit for racing yesterday but there was a lot of rain and there is a chance of racing today if the thaw continues. A jackpot pool of £2,984 has been carried forward to Sandown Park as Haydock. Park is off. If racing takes place the two divisions of the Metropolitan novices hurdle may be won by Fata Morgana and Ancient Briton. Fata Morgana (1.0) beat Jugador by four lengths at Nottingham before going down by a neck to Brickwall Hotel, at Tow-cester. That form seems to give him the edge over Shackletons him the edge over Shackletons Flier who was beaten 10 lengths by Norfolk Arrow here in December. Gerby Tumbler, Bitter Ender and Loophole form the hard core of Ancient Briton's (3.30) opposition. Gerby and Tumbler have

already won.

I prefer Ancient Briton who
was a stayer on the flat. Ancient
Briton's first race under National
Hunt rules promised well. He tras
runner up to Run Hard at Notting-

wonders with Boardman Special, my selection for the Cardinal Handicap Hurdle. Handicap Hurdle.

Nimrody, beaten by a neck by
Gay Park at Chepstow, is
preferred to Joint Venture and
Fjord for the Londesborough
Handicap Steeplechase.

Weighing up Troy's relative merit

The relative merits of the champion racehorses of recent times are open to debate. There are many ways of reading the form book and handicappers.

denied this. He stated that I low ranked second only to Brigadier Gerard amongst the glamble of the decade. He admitted that his assessment was based on one performance alone, that of Troy's official and private, are bound to reach varying conclusion. No argument can possibly be brooked that the outstanding race of the past 10 years was the battle between Grundy and battie between Grundy and Bustino in the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes in 1975.

Bustino was a thorough stayer, who had been provided with two pacemakers to exploit any chinks in the favourite's armour. As Bustino swept three length clear entering the sbort Ascot straight, Grundy had it all to do. The memory will never fade of the way in which Grundy showed first the speed to overthe first the speed to overrake Bustino and then the courage to hang on to his narrow lead as Dick Hern's tour year old fought back. No wonder the chestnut's reserves had been exhausted and that he folled to give his transthat he falled to give his true running against Dahlia in the Benson and Hedges Gold Cup a few weeks later. Major Hern has just been awarded the CVO in the New

year's Honours List. No honour could be more richly deserved. His integrity, honesty, industry and skill have been a byword for over 20 years. He is also a man I like to think of as a friend. But he is undoubtedly touchy about Troy, whom he considers, together with Brigadier Gerard, to be the best horse he has ever handled. He cannot have liked it when Troy was assessed at only 96 by the international panel of handled. willie Stephenson, has worked wonders with Boardman Special, my sciection for the Cardinal Handicap Hurdle.

Nimrody, beaten by a neck by Gay Park at Chepstow, is preferred to Joint Venture and referred to Joint Venture and Fjord for the Londesborough Cardinal Section 1978. a private handicapper of immense

appear in the Sporting Life, has denied this. He stated that Troy formance alone, that of Proysseven lengths victory in the Derby-However, Mr Whitford then pointed out that the subsequent exploits of Troy's victims, such as Dickens Hill and Northern Baby, entitled the winner to his exalted position.

Yesterday I discussed the situation with Major David Swanneli, the senior Jockey Club handicapper. In 1965 Major Swanneli started to compile a running handicap, which he hoped would withstand the test of time, on the simple basis of linking the form of one generation to that of the next. For the record, these are Major Swannell's rating of are Major Swannell's rating of the top horses since that year: Sea Bird II, 112; Brigadier Gerard, 106; Mill Reef, 106; Nijinsky, 104; Royal Palace, 101; Grundy, 101; Sir Ivor, 101; Dahlia, 101; Bustino and Alleged, both at 100. In other words he considered Troy to have been interior to these horses.

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Major Swannell said of Troy:

"I know his Derby performance to have been a good one. But you cannot escape the fact that the optimum dissance of the next five horses bome was 10 forlongs. And in fact Lyphard's Wish, who finished fifth may have been more effective at a mile. Now we take his Diamond Stakes victory where Troy beat Gay Mecene by one and a haif lengths. But in the previous season's Arc Gay Mecene finished nearly 10 lengths behind Alleged. I would have liked to have put Troy higher but I will be less Twoolid nave inked to have put Troy higher but I will be less than honest if I went against my figures." He thought that the International Committee bad been fair in putting Troy only Ilb behind the Prix de l'Art de Triomphe winner, Three Troikas. That is an admission that Troy did not give of his best in Paris.

generous. In assessing Troy at 137 and the winner at 133, they are putting Troy a length ahead of Three Troikas. "We are not too happy about this", the Timeform senior handicapper said. "Two furlongs from home Troy

"Two furlongs from home Troy was getting nowhere, but at the finish he was drawing away while the others were going up and down in the same place. So we have to agree with Major Swannell that Troy heat a field of non-stayers in the Derby. But on the other hand form is form whether it be recorded over eight, ten or twelve furlongs. So on the strength of that one performance we have rated Troy the equal of Grundy and superior to such as Sir Ivor, Dahlia, and Bustino."

Tom Watson, of Raceform pri-

Tom Watson, of Raceform private handicap, also rates Troy the equal of Grundy. But Major Swannell does not see how the two horses can be put in the same class. "Taking Troy's form overall and knowing that his overall and knowing that his Derby victims were short runners. he cannot be considered in the same breath as Grundy. Don't forget that in that epic Diamond Stakes both Grundy and Bustino finished five lengths ahead of Dahlia, who boasted top class in-ternational form over three sea-

Troy's exact position among the giants of the past 15 years will remain an enigma. All four experts agree that Brigadler Gerard was not only the outstanding miler of this period but possibly of the century as well.

Thuries meeting off: Yesterday's Thuries meeting with a resource of rish meeting at Thuries was abandoned because of waterlogging. The track, affected by snow and frost earlier in the week, was hit that wisht. "We by heavy rain in the night. "We wanted a little, but we got a lot", said a spokesman. The stewards will now seek permission to have the card restaged next Wednesday. The abandonment meant there was no horse racing at all in the British Isles for the second day running.

Motor racing

opens export door

By John Blunsden The joint sponsorship of the Saudia Williams grand prix team—Britain's most successful formula one team of 1979—by Leyland Vehicles, which was revealed exclusively by The Times in November, is reaping substantial dividends for the truck has and tractor division of BL Ltd.

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Recently released from an Arabian black list, which has effectively prevented Leyland from trading in the Middle East for the past 12 years, the new association with the Williams team, with their substantial Saudi Arabian backing, has enabled doors to be opened on what Leyland Vehicles estimate will be £25 million of export business in 17 countries

Frank Williams, whose cars wor frank Williams, whose cars won five grand prix last season, explained to me yesterday: "Business negotiations in the Arab world tend to be extremely time-consuming, the more so when whatever you are selling is in competition with something which is already available in that part of the world. I am very pleased i have been able to be of som help in this area to Leyland Vehicles in return for their support of my team ".

The first order for 100 heavy trucks has been received from Saudi Arabia, and with the motor racing sponsorship timed to coincide with the introduction of the new T45 ruck range, due to be announced in the spring, many more Middle East orders are in the pipeline.

Following successful testing at the Paul Richard circust in the south of France, three of the latest version of last year's car, the FW07B, are on their way to Buenos Aires for the Argentine Grand Prix, which will open the 1980 season on January 13.

Rugby Union

Leyland link | Home unions have hopes of a unanimous verdict By Peter West

Rugby Correspondent

The special meeting of the Rugby Football Union committee called by the president. Alec Ramsny, to determine their stance rowards the planned British Lions tour of South Africa this summer, takes place in London today. That stance will be conveyed by their representatives, Micky Steele-Bodger and Albert Agar, to the four home unious tours committee

four home unious tours committee which meets on Sunday morning and is then expected to make its decision on whether or not the tour should go ahead.

Whatever that decision may be, it is possible that the tours committee will make no official statement after their meeting. Its meeting. ment after their meeting. Its members are likely to observe the customary ethics on such occasions and first advise the South African Rugby Board of their decision

African Rugby Board of their decision.

Previous forecasts that the vote on the RFU committee might be close, one way or the other, may now be proved wide of the mark. It could be that Soviet operations in Afghanistan have hardened the attitude of those who, a short winle ago, felt uneasy about the implications of a Lions tour and the effects that it might have—following the threat made at the

recent meeting of the Supreme Council for Sport in Africa—on British sporting activities as a It is probable, too, that Lord

Killanin, president of the Inter-national Olympic Committee, will not have commended himself to the rugby hierarchy by his state-ment on Wednesday, apropos of a suggestion that the western nations should withdraw from the nations should withdraw from the Olympic Games in Moscow, that athletes should come first and should in no way be prevented from competing in international competition by political, racial or religious discrimination. "It seems to me" a leading rugby official said yesterday, "that a lot of people are invested in making people are interested in making one rule for our game and a different one for everybody else's."

One senior RFU committeeman with his ear close to the ground predicted yesterday that their vote for the tour to go ahead would be registered by a large majority. In that event, with the Scottish and Irish Rugby Unions thought to be strongly in favour of it, and with the Welsh Union thought to be ready to go along with the majority verdict, the final answer looks like being the unanimous

England trial rlans set further back

By Peter West

England's selectors suffered further setbacks to their plans esterday when the booker, Peter Wheeler, and the centre, Nick Preston, withdrew with shoulder injuries from the senior side in tomorrow's trial game at Twickenham. Fran Cotton and John Scott pulled out on Wednesday,

Steve Mills (Gloucester) and Clive Woodward (Leicester) have been promoted to take the respective places of Wheeler and Preston, with Mark Howe (Bedford) and Tony Wright (Sale) now ford) and Tony Wright (Sale) now called up for the Rest XV. There will be widespread pleasure, not just in the north, about the choice of Wright. Now 28 and in his first season of senior rugby, he has played outstandingly well for his club, for Lancashire, and for the North in their famous victory over the All Blacks.

It was also announced yester-day that Colin Smart would take Cotton's place at loose head prop in the England side, thus assuming once more the position he held in last season's championship matches against France and Wales. Colin White, the Gosforth prop, will now be loose head for the Rest. In suite of reports widely rub-

Lianelli call up schoolboy

With five backs and three forwards called up for training with the Weish party, Lianelli field a new three-quarter line against Exeter, who visit Stradey Park

Decided to provide the Rest. In spite of reports widely published that John Butler, the Gosforth number eight, would be replacing Scott in the England side, it now appears that Trevor. Cheesman of Swansea will occupy that position, with Butler playing for the Rest. Mark Keyworth, also of Swansea, is another casualty and his place on a Rest flank goes and his place on a Rest flank goes to the versatile Oxford and Richmond loose forward, Nick Mallett.
Andrew Simpson, the Sale hooker, who had a good day for the North against the All Blacks, and Gerry Parsons, the hard Bath flanker, have been added to the list of travelling reserves.

Sandown Park programme



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Sandown Park selections

By Our Racing Correspondent
1.0 FATA MORGANA is specially recommended. 1.30 Landing Party.
2.0 Nimrody. 2.30 Boardmans Special. 3.0 Harvest Day. 3.30 Ancient

Motoring

Streamlining design into the 1980s

The start of a new decade is a good opportunity to ponder the state of things to come and, in the motoring field, to offer some thoughts on the sort of cars we may be driving 10 vears from now, assuming we can still afford to do so.

The changes, I suspect, will be gradual rather than spec-tacular, reflecting the long lead time on a new car model. While the fashion designer can respond almost immediately to shifts in taste by chopping two inches off a hem, a new takes at least five years to make the costly and complex transi-tion from drawing board to

It follows that, if oil suddenly quadruples in price and that increases the demand for smaller and more economical cars, a manufacturer who has just been committed to a new large car can only curse his luck. That is what happened to Renault in 1973-74. Having decided, some years before, to enter the so-called executive marker for virtually the first time with what became the R30, the company was forced to launch the car at the worst possible time.

So pity the poor designer who sits down now to concort a car that will not go into production until 1985 or so but must somehow be relevant to me motoring environment that will then exist. More than that: such is the cost of developing a new model, £500m at a conservative estimate, that it will have to stay in production for 10 years to get the money back. Our designer, therefore, is looking not just to 1985 but, effectively, to 1995 as well.

What will be his guidelines? First, he must cater for the widest range of demand at the most economical cost. The answer to the saloon versus hatchback controversy surely, to make both but from the same design. Volkswagen has shown the way with the Polo/Derby and the Golf/Jetta. BL will follow with its new

saloon (the LC11).

tomorrow for the first time for over 40 years. The newcomers include Philip Davies, aged 18, a

centre from a local comprehensive school.

At forward the flank position, normally occupied by the inter-

Generally, cars will become more efficient. One aspect of this is what motor industry jargon calls packaging; getting maximum passenger and lugg-age space out of a given overall But efficiency above all refers to lower fuel consump-tion, simply because the energy shortage, and therefore governments, are going to demand it.

The British motor industry has undertaken to obtain a 10 per cent improvement in the average consumption of its car models between 1978 and 1985. with more impressive gains in individual cases. There are whispers to suggest that the BL Mini Metro, which one way or another will be a crucial car of the decade, could pull a trick or two there.

The gains will come, in broad terms, from three main areas: reduced weight, better aero-dynamics and engine modifications. We can expect cars to have thinner steel and glass and make more use of plastics, aluminium and light alloys. We can expect smoother and more streamlined bodies. And we can look forward to better engine tuning, more electronic ignition and lighter oils.

What no one foresees by 1990 is the emergence of a serious rival to the internal combustion engine. Electric cars may et last begin to make their mark but only as city runabouts unless, and until, batteries can be developed that offer much greater range and power. The prospects for steam and gas turbine look as remote as ever. Finally, what is the future

for large, petrol-guzzling models? There will, probably, be a move towards more economical cars but unless Europe follows the example of the United States Government and lays down minimum fuel consumption standards, I cannot see Mercedes-Benz, for instance, vanishing off the face of the earth, or that there will not be enough customers for the 3.000 cars produced each year by Rolls-Royce.

Road Test: Opel Kadett

The Kadert was one of the most important new cars to be launched in 1979, as well as one of the best. Its importance lies partly in marking General Motors's belated conversion to the principles of transverse engine and front-wheel drive

medium car, to appear first as sion, the Astra, has already hatch (the LC10) and then as been announced for the spring and other derivatives will follow in other continents.

who last week played in Llanelli's winning team at Bristol, is this week at lock for Swansea, who visit Aberavon.

visit Aperavon.
Swansea are as hard hit as
Llanelli with four players in the
Welsh party and three in the
English trial.

The quality of the Kadett, runner-up to the Lancia Delta in the Car of the Year award, is in meeting the essential small car requirements of good in-terior and boot space within compact overall dimensions, low fuel consumption, lively per-formance and responsive handling. The car bas, too, been designed for ease of maintenance and claims to be the first small front-wheel drive model whose clutch can

be replaced without removing the engine. The Kadett is unusual in having a new bodyshell as well as a new engine; the cost of development these days usually means one or the other. In style, Opel has gone for a wedge shape that serves both as a saloon, with boot lid, and a batchback, with full rear

The sloping, smoothly finished bonnet and front spoiler cut drag and therefore help fuel consumption. The advantage of front-wheel drive is immediately obvious: the car is proved. inches shorter than its prede-cessor yet has significantly more room in the back. So at just over 13ft long, the

car is easy to park (although thick rear pillars cut the view when backing, and yet view when backing, and yet takes four adults in comfort with an above-average boot that on the hatchback can be enlarged by collapsing the rear seat

One criticism of the tailgate is that two hands are needed to open it, a fact that might not appeal to people with shopping baskets. The car is powered by a new

1.3 litre engine, with aluminium head and overhead camshaft, which combines lively acceleration (0 to 60 mph in 15 seconds) with good flexibility. It runs on two-star fuel and should give 30 to 35 miles to the gallon. A more powerful version of the engine, in the GL models, gives even better performance and better fuel economy. But while revving freely enough, it

sounds fussy and, under hard driving, rather harsh. The Kadett also suffers from road noise and transmission whine, so refinement is not its best point.

As one has come to expect from Opel, the car gives superb handling in the typically taut German manner. It corners almost neutrally and with little but also in being the first bodyroll, and holds the road manifestation of what will be a impressively. The rack and "world" car. A Vauxhall verpinion steering is light and precise, if a little law geared, the gearbox (once it warms up) a delight to use and the brakes

smoothly responsive.
Also typically German is the ride, acceptably firm on good surfaces but telegraphing every ridge and bump and not recommended for queasy stomachs. The driver enjoys a well-shaped seat and plenty of leg-room. Vents in the middle and

at each end of the fascia chan-nel a prodigious blast of fresh air but the heater output was only moderate.

An ergonomic grouse is that two important controls, for the choke and for the fan/heated

rear window are placed so low that the driver has to take his eyes off the road to find them.
With a lower noise level and smoother ride, the new Kadett would be an outstanding car: it is a very good one, which will provide strong competition in its group and offer an interesting comparison with Ford's front-wheel drive Escort re-placement due in the autumn.

Prices start at £3,330 for the

basic two-door saloon and rise to £4.694 for the best-equipped model, the five-door Berlina. Trailer hazard

Bitter experience prompted a reader to raise a point of road safety. He was driving along a country road and caught up with a tractor and trailer travelling in the the same direction. He pulled out to overtake only to discover, too late, that the tractor was turning right. The collision was inevitable and though my correspondent and his wife escaped injury, he faces a bill of about £400 for repairs to his

He argues that the accident probably would not have hap-pened had the law required agricultural trailers to carry direction indicator lights. The tractor did have such lights, and apparently used them, but the width of the trailer made them impossible to see from behind. It is unlikely, either, that the car driver would have seen hand signals.

So is there a case for chang-ing the law? The Department of Transport thinks not, pointing out that farm trailers are normally on the public road for short periods and that they are involved in few accidents. It is up to motorists, the department adds, to take special care. Cold comfort to my correspondent; but I wonder if other readers have had similar experiences?

Peter Waymark



The new year is barely a day-old as these three abreast on Lambourn downs clip-clop into the wide-open future.

As Sir Ian Gilmour announces his plans to settle our EEC deficit...

A £1,000m mission to Europe

announce his plans for visiting European Community capitals as part of the Government's Eurostrategy to square the circle with our EEC partners over Britain's contribution to the

His first call will be to Rome next week when he meets Signor Francesco Cossiga, the Italian Prime Minister, who is also President of the Community.

Sir Ian will state that he hopes to complete his European mission within three weeks, the aim being to get a general agreement from all other memher states that there should be early European summit in February to thrash out once and for all Britain's £1,000m deficit contribution to the Community funds. Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Chancellor, who is also part of the same exercise, will take a

different route and will not visit all the capitals.

What they will be saying, however, will be much the same thing, and it is the style which is going to be as important as the substance. The abrasive tone, as seen by our European partners. adopted by Mrs partners. adopted by Mrs. Margaret Thatcher at the Dublin summit, is being scaled down. Though the purpose still the achievement of a broad balance between pay- ment, there are differences of

Sometime today Sir Ian Gilments into and receipts from mour, Lord Privy Seal, is to the EEC funds, diplomacy. judging by the signals emitted from Whitehall, rather than dogma, is to be the essence of

> The Foreign Office, and that means ministers as well as officials, never really fully approved of the combative approach to the Dublin summit as a means of settling Britain's justified complaint. It was clear there was a subtle difference in the decibel level of noise coming from Downing Street and King Charles Street.

Mrs Thatcher, as she leads Britain into the eighties, may have thrust her personality on to our European partners, but the reaction has not always been favourable. The West German daily newspaper Die Welt, declaring that "there has never been the slightest doubt about the unswerving resolution and certain directic of the woman, has just nominated her as Woman of the Year. In France however, an opinion poll conducted by L'Express, showed that only the Ayatollah Khomeini, President Brezhnev and Shaikh Yamani, the Saudi Arabia oil minister, were dis-trusted more by the French

Among her own party, the MPs at Westminster and members of the European Parlia-

interpretation of the Prime this matter. He has expressed Minister's real commitment to the view that the seriousness the EEC. (Nato and the defence of Europe, of course, is a dif-ferent and not wholly directly connected matter.) Some of them, putting their disillusionment politely, describe her attitude as an agnosticism on a par with Mr James Callaghan's.

The comparison goes deeper than appears at first sight. It was one of her closest supporters, in a revealing moment, who privately drew attention to the fact that in all the argu-ments before and after the Dublin summit Mrs Thatcher was inclined to pull her punches with the Leader of the Oppo-sition over the European issue in the customary points scoring exchanges across the Commons dispatch box.

Mrs Thatcher has left the impression that the Labour government did the best it could when it renegotiated the Treaty of Rome in 1975 and that the real trouble lies elsewhere. The Prime Minister's langer points in the direction of the Heath government, of which she was a cabinet minister, and the terms negotiated for Britain's entry into the European Com-munky. "Let's face it", said one of her advisers in a candid mood. "Europe is our Achilles

heel".
Mr Heath, picking up the hints, has had his own say on

view that the seriousness with which the British treated the budgetary problem would have been more credible to our partners if we had put forward specific proposals for more Community spending in Britain yet to my knowledge no such

The indications now are that it is in these areas that Sir Ian and Sir Geoffray may make further explorations, but there are fundamental problems involved here which could run counter to the Government's overall economic and financial

proposals were put forward either at the Dublin summit or

Community increases in social and regional aid, for example, would have to be chanelled through our exchequer increasing the volume of money in the economy and also, in some circumstances, leading to increases in public expenditure. While monetarism holds sway

government, there are other thoughts being developed among ardent Europeanist Tory MPs at Westminster, Shortly before the Christmas recess a number of them had a series of sessions analysing the meaning that lies behind the Brandt commission report (so named because Herr Willy Brandt is a member) which, coincidentally,

The commission was created at the instigation of the World Bank in 1977, and its report is entitled "North-South: a pro-gramme for survival". What it will propose, among other things, is a large transfer of resources to the less developed countries from the industrialized nations. Part of the argument for helping these areas by stimulating growth is that it will also help to head off a world recession

It is a policy which has been applied on a national basis since the Second World War until latterly, and it was a Con-servative MP who succincily spelt out its implications, "It is Keynesianism on an inter-national scale and it has to be the way forward", he said

fervently.

He did not have to state that it was Mr Hearh who helped to draw up the report, but the gravaman of his message was distinctly clear. Other countries in Europe are more likely to the British Government in its present mood. There is little doubt that he and others will be working for a change of attitude from the moment Parliament returns the week after

Michael Hatfield



Student doctors confront strikers at Charing Cross Hospital.

Hospital strikes: how far can volunteers go?

The cherus of protest from trade unions and labour politi-cians which greeted Mr Patrick cians which greeted Mr Patrick Jenkin's recently issued guide-lines to health authorities about the handling of industrial disputes, highlights what is likely to become one of the thorniest political issues in the next few years, the role of volunteers in the event of the disruption of health and social services by union action.

Traditionally, voluntary action in the health and sociol services has not been a very contentious issue in Britain-There has been a general con-sensus that, like religion and morality, it is generally a good

thing.
In the last year both major political parties have convened high-level study groups to examine ways in which volun-tary action in the community might be encouraged. Labour group, chaired by Mr Stanley Orme, the shadow spokesman on health and social services, was set up on the direct initiative of Mr Callaghan, who was concerned at the apparent decline of the values of fraternity and good neighbourliness in Britain. The Conservative group, under Mrs Lynda Chalker, was inspired by the self-help, voluntaryist ethic of Mrs Thatcher.

Although neither party has made its group's report public, both seem to have come up with remarkably similar conclusions about the growing importance of the voluntary sector at a time of nil growth. in statutory services and the need for volunteers to be seen as complementary to rather than a substitute for profes-sional workers in the fields of

health, education and welfare. this consensus, however. The strike last February and the second was the election of a Conservative Government v aroused deep-seated fears about the dismantling of the welfare state and its replacement by greater reliance on volunteers and on self-help.

The debate over the hospital sorkers' strike began after Mr David Ennals, the then Secre-tary of State for Health, had said that hospitals should conwilt unions before calling in volunteers. Although he subse-quently changed his position, William Frankel Mr Ennals's initial statement was strongly condemned by the

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. There are fears that using volunteers as strike breakers will jeopardize the trust that has built up between voluntary and paid hospital

Conservatives who were also highly critical of the guidelines for relationships between valunteers and paid non-professional workers in the health and social services drawn up by the Volunteer Centre.

workers...

The 1974 guidelines, down that volunteers should undertake no more vokuntary work in an industrial dispute than they would do in a normal situation and that they should not cross picket lines without the agreement of unions and management.

It was generally agreed that, as operated last winter, the guidelines did not operate in the best interests of patients' welfare. They are currently heing revised but Mr Ian Two events have shattered Bruce, director of the Volunteer Centre, says that there are considerable difficulties in getting an agreed form words on the role and use of

volumeers. workers' strike, leading Conservatives made strong pleas for volunteers to be encouraged to take over the work of striking workers. Mrs Thatcher told a conference of Young Conservatives in February: "We have a great national tradition of voluntary service. There are enough people in the country resolved to keep it going and determined not to yield to bullying enough to stave of this kind of disaster if it ever

breatened. At such a time, it would be the duty of govern-ment to harness this spirited reserve to the service of our

It is in the spirit of this sentiment that Mr Patrick Jenkin's new guidelines are con-crived. They lay down that health authorities "should, if they feel it necessary during a dispute, make such use of volunteers as they think fit" and "should consider now how they can top the help the gen-eral public are usually and spongaeously prepared in ofter in response to the neets of sick people. Ministers will support any authority which makes use of volunteers during

industrial action " The response of the trade unions and Labour movement to this approach was predictible. Behind it lie deep-seated suspicions of volunteering which is still associated in many minds with parronizing charity and distant folk memining of the part that middle. ories of the part that midd'e class volunteers played in breaking the General Strike of

There is also a genuine fear that the use of volunteers as strike breakers will jeopardire already fragile relationships of mutual trust which have been painstakingly built up between volunteers and paid workers in bospitals and social services over the years. Mr Orme has said: "If Mrs Thatcher puts the flag up and marches in front of volunteers, than we will certainly oppose her because she will do countless

damage for the future."
On the other side, there is a strong feeling, not just among Conservatives, that the events of last winter should not be allowed to recur in a civilized society and that if normal services to the sick and disabled are withdrawn, and volunteers are ready and able to provide it, they should be encouraged

Already, in the recent dis-pute at Charing Cross Hospital, doctors and nurses have shown where they stand it will be impossible for voluntary bodies and individual volunteers to political battle themselves for much longer. Sooner or later, they too will have to take the decision as to where they

Ian Bradley

The rift grows between US blacks and Jews

The event which impinged most forcefully on the collective con-sciousness of American Jewry in 1979 was undoubtedly the departure last summer of Mr Andrew Young from his post as United States Ambassador to the United Nations. Most of the articulate leaders of the American blacks saw it as the victimization of their hero by the influential Jews and an already simmering conflict between the two minority groups boiled

Since his appointment by President Carter, Andrew Young's forays into foreign affairs had frequently embarrassed his men-tor. In a comment on the Russian treatment of dissidents, Mr Young earned a rebuke for his statement that America also held political prisoners. He had freely expounded a "black perwhich often clashed with the declared policies of the administration of which he was charged the United States with responsibility for the refugee problem in Indochina, proposed the ending of the American to Save Humanity) declared ded to refer to the post-war

challenged aspects of the gov-ernment's missile programme.

The last straw for Mr Carter meeting with a representative of the Palestine Liberation Organization of which he gave a misleading account to the State Department when it came to light. The Israel Ambassador in Washington protested that it violated an agreement between their two governments. The State Department was no less indignant and Mr Young was

As it happened, the resignation was announced while the annual meeting was taking place of Mr Young's own group, the Southern Church Leadership Conference. In informing the assembly of the event, an official added that "the perception on the street is that the Jews did this to Andy Young". With very few exceptions,

capitulation to "our former allies, the American Jewish

The issue was not whether Mr Young was right or wronged, whether Mr Carter had acted properly or not or even whether it was true that "the Jews did this". The blacks assumed it was so and presumably still do, not-with-standing the President's cate-gorical assurance that the allegation was "absolutely and totally false". important that blacks should have the legal right to enter any eating place and buy a cup of coffee that right ment very little without the ten cents to pay for the coffee.

For Jesse Jackson and his colleagues, the enforced resig-nation of Young was another stage in a continuing dispute between blacks and Jews for, as he explained, "when there wasn't much decency in society, Jews were willing to deceacy. The conflict began when we started our quest for power. Jews were willing to share decency but

struggle for civil rights. In that fight, the blacks had no more loyal allies that the organized Jewish community. A liberal coalition of blacks, Jews, labour and church leaders achieved the momentous civil rights advances of the fiftes. But Presdent Kennedy presciently observed that, while it was very important the blacks checked. important that blacks should

pay for the coffee.

The blacks began to demand the ten cents. New organizations like the SNCC (Student Nonviolent Co-ordinating Committee) and the Black Panthers were no longer claiming black rights, they were asserting black power. Not only were their Jewish supporters alienated by this militancy, they were also repelled by the anti-jewish views expressed by some of the new radical black leaders like Howard Cruse, Malcolm X and LeRoi Jones.

A recent study of anti-semitism in America concludes that about 15 per cent more blacks than whites hold negative mages of Jews in the economic contest and that black anti-semitism is growing in contrast to its general decline in the United States of America since the war. This phenomenon is generally artibuted to the up-ward mobility of both groups. Blacks moved into residential areas vacated by Jews who, how-ever, continued to own the blacks became the tenants and the customers, groups not notoriously well disposed to landlords and shopkeepers.

That gnawing resentment was aggravated by the Jewish reacferential treatment. In the sixties and seventies, blacks were saving that they could not now, after three centuries of oppression, be expected to compete on equal terms and that their progress could only be assured if they were now given

admission, jobs and promotion. While Jews favoured affirmative action, they strongly objected to the preferential granting to blacks of fixed quotas in schools or of jobs. For the Jews, who had in the recent past suffered from them, the principle of

quotas was anothema. The Bakke case de-The Bakice case decided by the Supreme Court in June 1978 was about the constitutionality of a preferential quota for blacks at a medical school. All the Jewish organizations were on one side with the blacks on the other publicions of interacts. the other, a collision of interest which marked the de facto end of the coalition though Jewish and black leaders tried desperately to emphasize the "shared goals that still unite and bind

us together?.

To the existing two areas of conflict, economic antagonisms and preferential reacment, the Andy Young resignation has added a third—the identifica-tion of the most vigorous of the black leaders with the cause of the Palesninians. They are seen as the oppressed while Israel and the Jews (the two are not distinguished) are placed in the rule of the oppressors. One of the few remaining

moderate black leaders, Vernon E. Jordan Junior, President of the National Urban League, has warned that "black-Jewish rela-tions should not be endangered by ill-considered flirtations with terrorist groups devoted to the extermination of Israel" and it is not clear how far the militancy of the leadership has per meated to the rank and file for on the local level, black and Jewish organizations continue to together on common

But American Jews and their leaders have no illusions. They have been shocked by the luteu-sity of the ami-Jewish feeling among blacks which the Young affair has released. How to deal with it will be the top item on their agenda for 1980.

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The operatic adventures of Hary...

The mere fact of being Hungarian must be very satisfying. It is so complete that it leaves a comfortably may space to try and be other things that elsewhere cost a lifetime's aliena-tion: a doctor, journalist, a scientist, even a sports score board factory manager (the Hungarians are making them for the Moscow Olympics): "I think Hungarian, and so I am", that is really the message of that most gracious of parieties that most gracious of patriotic operas, Kodaly's Hary Janos which, as everybody knows, if it had been written by an English man or a German or a French-man, it would have been called Janos Hary because that is the real order of Christian name and surname of the hero whose adventures half Budapest tried to see once again durpest tried to see once again during the holidays as a type of
happy halfway house between
Fidelio, and the pantomime,
and most of them came from
streets called "Bartok Bela
Utice" or "Lisst Ference
Utica" and saw their leader in
Kadar James as a ventinder that Kadar Janos as a reminder that Hungarians write their names

Just look at the programmecover and you have it all: the first adventure of Hary, or Janos takes place at a borderpost where the sun always shines and life is beautiful on the Hungarian side of the red and white pole while across the frontier, towards Russia obviously, snow and ice and inhumanity dominate. Personally, have a very fond relationship with this opera. It has come to mean to me what I suppose it means to Hungarians, that is the best of Eastern Europe. I last saw it in 1976 in East Berlin. I was there for the conference of European Communist parties when Eurocommunism was at the height of its foreshortened vogue. Putting first things first, I telephoned the Komische

Oper to find out what they were performing. They said they were reviving the late great Walter Felsenstein's Carmen. asked them to put a seat aside for me as I would like to see it again for old time's sake.

The Communists at the conference talked on and, sensing that the curtain must be about rising. I telephoned once again to the opera-house. "You are really in luck", they said. "The soprano is ill. We cannot do Carmen and we are trying to assemble the cast for Hary Ionos. Which in any case will interest you much more, be-cause is rarer but the start will be at least an hour late". I arrived just as the curtain was going up on a, for me, quite new staging by Felsenstein.

At the box-office they said "We have kept your ticket for you. You are sure to enjoy it. Come along to your seat ". Quite spart from the charm of Janes. and the enthusiasm of a packed audience, I thought about what chances I, an unknown foreigner, would have bad of persuading the Covent Garden booking office to keep a ticket for me, or the Rome Opera House for that matter, unless I spoke to the superintendent himself. I framed their poster showing Hary's splendid adventures between truth and elaboration which, together, as he tells us, amount to a new truth. In Budapest this week, the production was less complicated then Felsenstein's but more effective or else I am

Throughout the opera, Janos never forgets his origins and so the producer keeps an idealized painting of the hero's hometown up among the clouds in every stage picture. And for the nev year, the party newspaper did much the same with a huge car-toon entitled "Our happy little village". Hungary is shown as a kind of reserve of plenty in the bottom right hand corner and, in the rest of the world, there are traffic jams, the Mafia terrorism, drug addiction African tyrants, missiles,

getting more emotional.



bank robberies, the Ku Klux Klau, the mukinationals, every horror imaginable in the intri-cate detail of the style of a didactic painting by Hieronymous Bosch. The Hungarian scene is comfortable as the family eats and drinks in easy chairs and even the dog is replete. Though a minister is telling them on television that harder times are on the way.

This is a reminder that Hungary's healthy foreign trade balance started to go awry in 1974 with the rise in oil prices, and now the country is feeling the effects of a nine per cent price rise, largely in foodstuffs. One of the current jokes is that the Vatican offered to melethe Vatican offered to make Hungary's national day a religious feast: to which the Government's reply was that they would declare 1980 a whole year of lent. Undoubtedly the principal Hungarian consideration for this year will be to try and maintain what they have rather than expect any increase

Being quintessentially Hun-garian inevitably leads to jokes about other people and a Polish Pope stimulates them in a seriously humorous way.
"What", asks an official, "do
you think Catholics call holy
water now?" Don't know.
"Ean de Pologne" of course. and this with an insistence on a lack of malice. Poland, they keep on saying, is the one country the Hungarians have never fought. And then the Jesuit joke which is harsher. The Pope has a vision of Christ in the Vatican gardens. He asks: "Lord, will there be married priests in my life-" No ", says Jesus, " Not in your

lifetime."
"Lord, will there be womenpriests in my lifetime?"

No. not in your lifetime."

"Lord, will there be another Polish Pope?" Not", says Jesus, "in my lifetime."

Hungary suddenly dressed when the first snow falls. Budapest itself acquires a delicate elegance whereas the day before, bare under the sun, was too heavy to be called elegant. At Eger, in the Bukk mountains, to the north-east, the first flakes outline the delicacy of the baroque buildings in this town where Mary would have felt at home. One of the finest was built by an Esterhazy who, in the late eighteenth century, was archbishop of this town famous for its long opposition to the Turkish in-

vaders. Esterhazy meant the building to be a university but Joseph II's policies of state premineace meant that it never fulfilled that function. It remained the property of the Church, bowever, until after the Second World War. The Church now possesses only the part which houses the library of which 50,000 volumes are stored in a chapel of Haydn-esque grace. It has not been used for services since 1950.
The rest of the building is a state school, dedicated to Ho

Chi Minh whose brazen face is there at the top of a noble flight of stairs alongside which is also decorated with a bronze bust of Lenin.

The two worlds are not that much apart. Party headquarters are on the same corridor as the former chapel and exactly next door to the entrance to the library reading room. And they tell this story in the arch-bishop's palace. A priest in loyal village died and, because of the shortage of menpower, the archbishop decided not to replace him. The village's religious requirements were supposed to be met by priests from neighbouring places. They took turns to say mass and give confirmation lessons to the children. Then came the day of the bishop's arrival to carry out the confirmation.

The villagers took over the empty house of the priest, painted it, hung curtains and the garden with planted flowers. When the bishop appeared they pointed our that all they lacked was a priest to live in it. The bishop could not refuse them. A priest was sent.

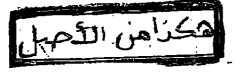
Where to eat? tobacconist was passionate in his advice. "Take the first turning to the right and, on his advice. the right, you restaurant called (I think) Vadar. Whatever you do don't go there. ... No. of course we won't!... "It is too expensive. The prices are firstclass and more . . Whatever you do, don't go to Vadar . . ".

We promise we won't . Avoid it, because you will be . . Well, on the same street, there is another place, just after Vadar, but whatever you do, don't stop at Vadar, you'll be sorry if you do.

suppose this is the effect of living in Bartok Bela Utica and crowding in to see Hary Janos which are both the wrong

Way round.

Peter Nichols





STAMPEDE FOR GOLD

price of gold on the free market went up by more than the whole of its pre-1971 official price of \$35 an ounce. Yesterday it rose by almost twice that amount. Leaving out handling and storage charges, anyone who has held gold over the period between 1971 and last night will now be showing a capital gain of roughly 1.700 per cent. Even currency and bullion markets, jaded by years of seemingly continual and increasing instability, sense that something different in quality to past eruptions is in progress.

It must, on purely technical grounds, be likely that the price will fall back, perhaps quite sharply at some close date. The incentive to take profits of the order that have suddenly become available in so short a time will surely induce some to sell. However the nature of this market's explosion is different from speculative excesses in other financial markets. In this case much of the buying has as its motive a long-term move out of currencies into a less politically and economically vulnerable store of value. Gold buying from this motive will not suddenly become goldselling for that very reason.

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This stampede to buy gold, however, is different from previous currency crises in another respect as well. When a national currency comes under unbearable pressure in the markets. the politicians, the Treasuries and the central banks involved are forced to recognize at least the symptoms of the problem and to take some anpropriate action. Even with the dollar i self, in recent years the pressures have built to a stage were action was forced. An example was the general realignment of against other

On Wednesday of this week the currencies at the Smithsonian negotiations Institution in December, 1971.

In the present case, however, the rise in the price of gold itself is in relation to all currencies, though to some noticeably more than to others. The only immediare effect is that the free market value of the gold component of national gold and currency reserves is substantially increased. No direct pressure of crisis proportions is exerted directly on anyone. Politicians and monetary authorities as a result do not have an imperative spur to action.

Yet, as the postwar monetary system with its links between official institutions and private banks, begins visibly to crumble, it is essential that a coordinated plan of reform be instituted. Given the present fragmentation of leadership in the non-Communist world, it is unrealistic to think in terms of some grand new design, negotiated and agreed by all, comparable to the design of the post-1945 world monetary system negotiated largely by the Americans and ourselves at Bretton Woods, New Hampshire, in 1944. There is no possibility to securing general enough acceptance of any overarching reform to make the endeavour worth the expense of political capital. The way forward will have to be largely by unilateral and bilateral action. These actions must, however, fit within a general and consistent

framework of analysis. The problem has two distinct aspects. There is first the role of dollars and other currencies as a scheme handled by the major reserve assets. This is largely a dollar problem, simply because the dollar is by far the largest currency component of inter-national reserves. If inflation national economic system.

remains and intensifies generally in the 1980s, it will become accordingly a problem that goes wider than just the dollar. Meanwhile the flight from currencies

is into gold. The second aspect, however, concerns the dollar's role as a medium of exchange, lubricating the whole of the world's trade and capital movements. It is a function that for the foresceable future can only be conducted through the dollar, for there is no other currency in international circulation in sufficient quantities to perform the essential task. The role of the dollar is thus a responsibility of the whole world and not just of the United States.

In principle the only solution to these problems is clear. There are too many dollars in circulation. The unwanted surplus must therefore he removed from the market. The capital markets themselves cannot perform this function. In particular they cannot when all the major national governments are simultaneously concerned to avoid the inflation of their domestic money supplies that follows inevitably from major dollar support operations by central banks in the foreign exchanges.

In some way holders of dollars have to be offered some reserve asset in terms and in the quantiries sufficient to satisfy their corrent desire to diversify out of the dollar. The operation could be administered in any of number of wavs and under a number of different ausnices. The most promising is probably central banks. All that is certain is that further "benign neglect of the issue is inflicting grave and lasting damage on the inter-

THE UNITED NATIONS' EMPTY CHAIR

when the United Nations is being called upon to play a critical role in events in both Iran and Afghanistan it should be hampered by difficulties in making up the membership of the Security Council. For the first time in its history it has not been possible to reach agreement on new non-permanent members, and the result is that since the beginning of the year the Council has had only fourteen members instead of fifteen. The remaining seat, which belongs to the representative of the Latin American countries, is being contested by Cuba and Colombia, and neither has been able to muster the two-thirds majority in the General Assembly which is needed for election, in spite of no less than 148 ballots. A fresh attempt is to be made today. There are already signs that the Soviet Union may try to take advantage of the uncertainty that has been created by challenging the legal competence of the reduced

The Soviet attitude should be seen for what it is, an attempt to grasp at a legal technicality at a time when ir finds itself in great diplomatic difficulties. The fourteen-member Council has been functioning in a formal sense since January 1, without any challenges, and the view of Dr Erik Suy, the United Nations legal counsel, is that it has the power to make binding decisions

Council to vote on Afghanistan.

It is unfortunate that at a time in the same way as if it bad its full membership. Therefore, even if the Soviet Union tries to take advantage of the unprecedented situation, the response must be to press ahead with vital Security Council business while attempting to solve the question of the Latin American seat as soon as possible. Some way can certainly be found, perhaps by agreement on a generally acceptable Latin American replacement for both Cuba and Colombia, such as Mexico, or by using a device which has broken similar deadlocks in the past-having each of the two countries serve one year of the normal two-year

term. There is no question that, whatever its failings, the United Nations does have a unique and important role to play. It is regarded as particularly important by the non-aligned countries, and it is significant that the move to bring up the Soviet takeover of Afghanistan in the Security Council is being led by members of their group, particularly such Muslim countries as Pakistan and Bangladesh. Some thought was given at one point to the idea of bringing the issue up in the General Assembly, where there is no Soviet veto and where it was thought that the Americans might get a majority for some form of condemnation of the Soviet action. But the Security Council is clearly the proper place for consideration of threats to inter-

national peace and security—and if the issue becomes stalled there as a result of Soviet tactics it can always be taken to the General Assembly subsequently. It is important that the representatives assembled in the United Nations, so often ready by a majority to criticize the United States and the West for their misdeeds, should now clearly censure the Soviet Union for this act of aggression. This purpose will be served even if the Soviet Union vetoes a Security Council resolution directed against it. When it comes to action rather

than words, the capacity of the United Nations is more limited. There is no question that it has played an extremely important part in keeping the peace in some very volatile parts of the world -the Middle East, Kashmir, Cyprus—by sending in United Nations forces. But the imposition of sanctions on Rhodesia was hardly a great success, and there is bound to be scepticism about the effect of sanctions on the Iranian situation, even if the required majority can be attained in the Security Council. On the other hand the unanimous call by the Security Council last month for the immediate release of the American hostages in Tehran, and the subsequent setting of the January 7 deadline, have certainly added to the pressure on the Iranian regime—whether to any useful effect remains to be seen.

unless, of course, he undertook to Search and entry powers

From Mr Thomas H. Band Sir. I write as a solicitor (retired) of 41 years' standing and as a General Commissioner of Income

When it was decided in 1976 to strengthen the powers of the Inland Revenue in their task of assessing and collecting taxes lawfully due from citizens to the state there could be no objection in principle because, for technical reasons, their previous powers had become inade-quate. But when I saw the proposal in the Finance Bill to break away entirely from the existing machinery and authorize an Inspector of Taxes to break into premises and seize anything he fancied with the authority only of his own Afridavit of Suspicion, rubber-stamped by a Justice of the Peace, I was appalled.

I wrote to the Attorney General (Mr Sam Silkin) to remind him that General Commissioners, carefully selected laymen appointed by the Lord Chancellor, existed to handle the various altercations which arise between Revenue and taxpayer; they sit in private and they already have certain powers to send for persons and papers. I recommended that their power should be enlarged so that they could order entry and search in suitable cases.

The Attorney General replied to say that he found my suggestion "interesting" and would refer it to "a Treasury Minister". It seems that the drafting process had gone so far that the Treasury could or would not change the brutal approach which they had adopted. All that happened was that two members of the Board of Inland Revenue were to make the Affidavit of Suspicion and the fiat of a Circuit ludge was substituted for that of a Justice of the Peace. Now we have the totalitarian spectre of the Ross-minster proceedings (Law Report,

December 14). One of the Law Lords was naive enough to advise the public that the fiat of a Crown Court Judge should now be substituted for that of a Circuit Judge. Even if the fiat of a Law Lord were substituted, it would rapidly become a clerical formality handle the case himself after the papers had been seized and examand the tax assessments

raised Let it be announced knmediately how many Circuit Judges have refused search warrants when con-fronted with an Affidavit of Suspicion. And let the draftsmen of the Finance Bill, 1980, set to work at once so that the fiasco of 1976 is not repeated.

Yours faithfully THOMAS H. BAND, Friar Gate, 102 Tiddington Road, Straiford-upon-Avon, Warwickshire.

Legal training grants

From Mr Adrian Room Sir, Is Mr J. H. Stevenson (December 31) doing so badly? I wish I earned £5 for every 40 minutes work I put in. Even with a 35-hour working week. that works out at £13,650 pa. Who needs a private income or a working wife in such a comfortable income bracket? Yours faithfully, ADRIAN ROOM, 173 The Causeway, Petersfield, Hampshire.

Insufficient jobs

December 31.

From Mr Bernard Hamilton Sir, Your leader "Taking the dole off the index" (December 20) seems more relevant to times past than to our present state of knowledge. The majority of this country's one and a half million unemployed are not so occupied because they have no financial incentive to get a job, but because there is a shortage of

Yours faithfully, BERNARD HAMILTON, Furness College, University of Lancaster, Baikigg, Lancashire. December 20.

Aims of the PLO

From Mr J. Garnel

Sir, Mr Dominic Asquith (December 22) claims he is "entitled to take the view that the elimination of the view that the elimination of Zionism is not necessarily the same thing as the destruction of Israel". and adds, how unfortunate it is that "many of those who cite the National Charter give the impression that they have never bothered to read it with any care".

Before making such rash state-ments, Mr Asquith should have re-read "The Palestinian National Covenant". Its 33 Articles are all dedicated to the replacement of Israel with a "liberated" Palestine, which according to Article 1 is "an integral part of the Arab nation." Article 19 states: "The partitioning of Palestine in 1947 and the establishment lishment of Israel is fundamentally void whatever nine has elapsed."
The Palestinian Covenant makes perfectly clear that the PLO aim is to raise the Palestinian flag over the Knesser. The means of achieving Arab rule is contained in Article of which decrees that only "Jews who were living permanently in Palestine" before the "Zionist invasion" in 1917 "will be considered Palestinians." This would disenfranchise the majority of Israel's Jews, including the 800,000 refugees from Arab countries, who left dispressed their majority constitutions. 6 which decrees that only "Jews left dispossessed, their property con-fiscated, when they became ana-thema following the UN partition in 1947 of what remained of mandated Palestine.

Appropriately, the caption above Mr Asquith's letter reads: "Obsta-cles to peace in the Middle East." The Jews of Israel assert and will defend the sovereignty of Israel as a member of the United Nations. created by the UN. It should be obvious even to Mr Asquith, that the ultimate aim of the PLO, as declared in its Covenant, can be achieved only by war. Yours faithfully, J. GARNEL,

1 Sussex Court, Eaton Road, Hove. Sussex. December 24.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Soviet invasion of Afghanistan

From Mr John L. Powell

Sir, The response of the West and perticularly the United States to the Soviet invasion if nor annexytion of Afghanistan has been disturbingly vacuous and irresolute.

Notwithstanding the difficulties of anticipating the invasion, it was to be hoped that the art of crisis management had been developed to the point of decising in advance, for rapid implementation, policies with which to respond to a crisis of similar nature and magnitude. Sponraneity of response in the form of threatening certain sanctions might have influenced Societ action and the extent of the intervention. In the event, the advantage of possible influence of action inherent in a threat of sanctions has been lost leaving the dubious benefit of implementing sanctions by way retribution.

Still, lessons can be learnt for the future and may I suggest four priorities?

First, the concept of "linkage" seems to have gone out of vogue during the Carter Administration. Whilst it is the prevailing and probably better view that the con-cept should not intrude upon strateis arms negotiation, the concept is rine for restrictation in other spheres of East-West relations. As the precedents of not only Afabanistan bur also Angola, Ethiopia and Cambodia have demonstrated, rie Soviet Union does not consider the matrix of treaties and understandings basic to detente inconsistent with third world adventurism whether by itself or its proxies. A priority for the 1930s, therefore, is to "link" progress and regression in East-West military, economic and cultural relations to Soviet heit will be mutually recognized in advance that adventurism will attract a known range of sanctions. In short, an unwritten code of sanctions needs to be evolved and recornized as correlative to genuine detente.

A second priority is for the West to reach a new understanding with Islam. Much as Western and Islamic values may differ, the 1970s slippage towards mutual suspicion and confrontation must be exchemed. The alternative is Soviet evoluitation of the consequent divide. Indeed, apparent stultification of American decision making by the Iranian crisis has been oppor-tune for the Soviet Union in Afghanistan. Prime attention must be given by the West to improving relations with radical Arab regimes, especially Baathist Syrin and Iraq in order to expand the over-concen-tration of support for conservative and potentially insecure regimes in Egypt and Saudi Arabia. A first step to that new understending should be to take a firmer stance against the Begin Government's West Bank settlement policy. Difficult though that step would be for an American president in election vear, it would also be in long term Israeli interests.

A third priority is for the West to increase support and economic aid for two vital states, Pakistan with Afrikanistan claims to Baluchi-stan and so-called Pushtinistan, and Turkey, with its internal economic and political problems seem resently very vulnerable to boviet

opportunism.
Finally, Western Europe must take a far more active and concerted role to restrict Soviet adventurien. This role should be complementary rather than similar to that of the United States. For roo long the tendency to categorize vital areas into American or Soviet spheres of influence have demoustrated. Despite relative economic and demographic decline, for the 1980s at least, it is likely that no other power will emerge (not even Japan and China) to rival Western Furche's collective economic and political strength next to that of the United States and the Soviet

extra-European concerns have been

abdicated to superpower duopoly as

If the lessons of the Afghan invarion are not learnt. South-West Asia would seem to offer the new dominoes of the 1980s. Yours faithfully. IOHN L. POWELL. 2 Crown Office Row. The Temp'e, EC1. January 2.

From Mr R. Dele Igamu Sir. The last two paragraphs your excellent leader (January 2) are proving a little puzzling to my friends and me who, as Africans, can be described as being of the Third World.

A few months ago, France with account of the control of the from t

technical assistance from the United States, sent troops to take over and overthrow Mr Bokussa of the then Central African Empire. French troops still occupy and control the country. As we recall there was general approval of the French action in the Western press. Previous to that action. France and Belgium had sent in troops to Zaire and also France had been engaged for years in Chad, with the racir approval of the West.

When South Africa invaded Angola, a few years 220, it was then acclaimed in the Western press that it was acting as an instrument in the defence of Western intercent

in the defence of Western interests.

The Soviet action in Afrhanistan has rightly been condemned as contrary to all accepted international principles of law and conduct. But we had no such condemnation of France or South Africa when they violated the same principles.

Sir, is this hypocrisy or plain

dishonesty? Again, Africans have for years been lectured about not "bringing politics into sport" whenever the boycost of South Africa is mooted. Now, we are told that Nato is now considering a collective boycott of the Moscow Olympics. I suppose that some sophisticated philosophy be apolied to distinguish the

two circumstances. A little more honesty in world and national politics may yet be the salvation of mankind. Yours faithfully, R. DELE IYAMU. 22 Gladys Road, NW6.

From Mr Robert Tesian Sir. How right Ray Whitney is in today's The Times (January 2). But surely the International Olympic Committee should allow the games to cortinue while banning the Russians from competing. Such a decision would either force the Russians to cancel the Games or give "Olympic Flu" to the whole of their tesm. Both alternatives might prove a httle difficult to explain away to the Pussian people, given even Prauda's skill at propaganda. Yours faithfully.

ROBERT TESIAN. Reynolds Farm, Hurst, Near Twyford, Berkshire.

Setting doctrinal limits From the Reverend R. T. Beckwith

Sir, It has been stated and accepted rather too readily in the current correspondence in your columns that the Church of England has abandoned all attempt at doctrinal discipline. Though the Church of England is exceedingly slow and reluctant in taking action against clergy who violate their ordination rows in doctrinal matters (even in flagrant cases like those of bishops or professors of theology who deny the incarnation or the resurrection of our Lord), this is not the only indication of her attitude. If, in these days of unlimited tolerance, she fears more scandal from disciplining an offender than from the offence itself, who can wonder? Nevertheless, reluctance to cause scandal is not the same thing as

indifference.

It should be remembered that as recently as 1963, in the Ecclesiasti-cal Jurisdiction Measure, the Church of England updated its machinery for dealing with doctri-nal and other offences. The new machinery is moderate and fair, but decidedly firm. It has not yet been employed, but it certainly could be, if the balance of scandal changed. Then, again, the Church of Engwords in which the clergy, at their ordination and at institution to any new living, subscribe to the formularies of the Church. The new form of words first proposed was criticized by a lawyer in the General Syrood as evacuating the declaration

of all meaning, and he therefore proposed an alternative form which was taken by the Synod's revision committee as the basis for its work. Of course, the outcome has been wishfully interpreted by some as committing them to nothing. They did the same with the previous form. But if words mean anything, and the intentions of legislators are relevant, those who subscribe accept the teaching of the Bible, the three Creeds, the 39 Articles and the 1662 Praver Book.

One of your correspondents has interpreted the variety of options in the coming revision of Series 3 Holy Communion as evidence of doctrinal laxity. Being myself the joint promoter of the two further options now added, I should remind your readers that we did this in the interests of greater doctrinal seriousstatement of doctrine, and as a departure from the policy of deliberate ambiguity about doctrine previously followed in Series 3. None of this bears directly on the case of Kung (whose denial of Papal

infallibility the Church of England endorses) or of Schillebeeckx (whose sacramental teaching, if that is in ouestion has a decidedly re-formed flavour), but it may help to set Rome's dealings with her discentients in a less distorted eccemenical context. Yours faithfully.

R. T. RECKWITH. The Warden, Larimer House, 131 Banbury Road.

Elected to Europe From Mr Gerald Kaufman, MP for

Ardwick (Labour) Sir, You head a letter in your issue of December 27 as coming "from Mr Derek Prag, MEP". The Act of the United Kingdom

Parliament governing the election of persons to six in the body in question is the European Assembly Election Act 1978. Its long title begins: "An Act to make provision for and in connection with the

election of representatives to the Assembly of the European Com-munities". Throughout the Act the persons to be elected are described as "representatives" and never as "Members" and the body to which they are to be elected as an Assembly " and never as a " Parliament ".

Ought not a representative at the European Assembly therefore to be referred to as an REA? Yours sincerely, GERALD KAUFMAN.

In spite of falling standards in so many areas, we are still a democracy,

Dying in police custody From Mr R. Anthony Lester

Sir. How many of your readers, I wonder, were as appalled as I at the statistics given by you today (December 22), on the number of people who died while in police custody over the past decade.

The death of Blair Peach has already shown that, in the presence of a police squad, one can cause death with impunity.

House of Commons.

and one must assume that we have the police force that we want, or, maybe, deserve. How refreshing it would be to find that today's figures caused an outcry, but most papers have not even carried the story.

Yours faithfully, R. ANTHONY LESTER 1b Oak Hill Avenue, Hampstead. NW3.

December 22,

Future of the British motor industry

From Dr D. W. Hughes

Sir, How disappointing that Sir Michael Edwardes (January 2) is falling into the same trap as the architect of British Leyland, with

all as troubles. Lord Stokes. To criticise the consumer, who in his choice of motor car has opted in very many cases for what he considers to be the best value for his hardearned net income, is no substitute whatever for demonstrably providing a truly competitive product. Even less does it sell motorcars outside the United Kingdom, where loyalty to the Union Jack plays no part in the decision-

Such pitiful arguments are an indication that British Leyland now feels unable to provide what the customer is looking for; it might meet with more success by persuading the Government to make purchase of BL vehicles a tra-deductible allowance. Yours faithfully,

D. W. HUGHES 58 Briarwood Drive, Northwood, Middlesex.

From Mr Terence Conran Sir. Why, Sir Michael Edwardes, is it that we design for Renault and not British Leyland?
Why do you not use the talented designers on your doorstep?

Why do you have to make a car designed in Japan? Where Sir Michael is your national pride? Why haven't Saatchi and Saatchi. the advertising agency which has advised Sir Michael on his "Fuy British" campaign, thought this one through? Yours faithfully. TERENCE CONRAN, Conran Associates. 28 Nezi Street, WC2.

From Mr Julian Ridsdale, MP for Harwich (Conservative) Sir. As chairman of the British-Japanese parliamentary group, may I say how much I welcome the joint renture between Brirish Leyland

In many visits to Japan over the last few years I have done my best

to encourage such joint rentures. I hope that there will be many more to help us catch up with other advanced industrial nations, especially in the field of technology and precision engineering

Incidentally, in view of what Sir Michael Edwardes says, I have only owned British cars and for the last 15 years have been well satisfied with my succession of British-mode Minis, which have served me well in London and along the minor

roads in my constituency. What a pity, though, we could not produce more of them in the United Kingdom to meet our requirements. Yours sincerely.

JULIAN RIDSDALE
House of Commons January 2

From Mr Neville Conder

Sir. Before the admirable Sir Michael Edwardes launches his "Buy British" campaign, could I ask him and his British Leyland colleagues to give more thought to design than appears to have been given in recent years? In his letter he says: "It has become fashionable to buy 'exotic' foreign cars'.

Does he not mean "well designed "? In another paragraph he refers to the Japanese penetration into the car market in Britain comparing it to the lesser impact on the German. French and Italian markets and puts this down to a healthy local chauvinism in those countries. I believe it to be a more likely explanation that German, French and Italian cars can compete in design while ours no longer can, ()

refer to design in the full sense, not just "styling". Remember the Marris Minor and the Mini in their New "popular" ranges of BL cers look as if they are the result. of consensus styling arrived at by majority voting at a conference of salesmen and advertising agents. But would any popular B1, car stand up to the exposure of the current Fiat poster campaign? Yours faithfully, NEVILLE CONDER.

49 Thurlee Square, SW7.

January 2

Historical documents

From Mr Alan G. Thomas Sir, For Mr M. A. Faraday (December 27), it would seem that medieval documents have little or no value once a few facts have been extracted for a local bistory. This shows a lamentable lack of

historical imagination. Few medi-eval artefacts bring us into such intimate contact with individuals who lived perhaps 800 years ago. They are of far more importance and true value in themselves than any modern work which may derive from them.

In the hands of imaginative teachers documents may bring the past alive, especially in countries such as America, Canada and Australia, where there are no local medieval buildings to inspire students with the all-important "sense of the past". They are useful, too, in schools of palaeography. For these reasons, university and other major libraries collect them. Once in the hands of learned institutions, these documents become perma-

nently available to scholars. As for the private collector, documents are the only medieval objects to be available to people of modest means in any quantity. No wonder perceptive collectors treasure and preserve them while they are still grossly undervalued, as they are today.

As for monetary value, this is a major factor in their survival. Owners will not throw away items which they believe to be valuable.

In the nineteenth century, Sir Thomas Phillipps was so distressed when he saw documents being used by shopkeepers as wrapping paper and by tailors, hatters, pastry cooks etc. in their work that he deliberately forced up the price of waste paper, thus saving thousands of documents.

Mr Faraday would have found a soulmate in the wife of the Reverend Bingley, a nincteenth-century curate who compiled a (still unpublished) County History of Hamp-shire. After her husband had copied vellum documents into his she used up the originals as kettle holders.

Yours sincerely, ALAN G. THOMAS. 16 Hobury Street, SW10. December 27.

Ouality of bathing water From Mr J. A. Wakefield

Sir, The EEC, quite rightly in our opinion, issued a directive in December, 1975, requiring member states to bring their bathing waters up to a mandatory standard within 10 years. Member states were asked to tell the Commission within two years what changes were required in their national laws and within four years to provide a re-port on the condition of the waters, which they had designated as bathing waters.

In order to comply with this programme it was abundantly clear from the start that it would be necessary to nominate the bathing areas at an early stage so that they could be monitored for water quality. In spite of pressure from us and from the water authorities, the Department of the Environment left it until July this year before instructing the water authorities to designate the areas in consultation with the local administrative authorities. The DOE indicated that only those waters should be classified where there were at least

500 people in the water at one time, regardless of the length of water, or where there were more than 1,500

people per mile.

No one will be surprised that, as a result of these unreasonably high density figures, only 25 stretches of water round our coast qualify as "Eurobeaches". We have noticed, however, that our press and certain Members of Parliament have seized the opportunity to blame the EEC for this situation, whereas in our opinion the DOE is entirely at fault. Nowhere in the directive is there any mention of bather density and this interoretation is entirely that of the DOE.

Britain would have something to complain about if she had a stretch of Mediterranean coast to contend with. Our expenditure on measures to comply with this directive are minuscule in comparison with that of France or Italy.

Yours faithfully, I. A. WAKEFIELD. Chairman, The Coastal Anti-Poliution League, Alverstoke. Greenway Lane,

Heraldic dogs

Sir, Dogs are not quite as rare, in Scottish heraldry, as your Edinburgh correspondent suggests (The Times, December 29). In addition to Hunter of Hunterston, the families of Udny of that Ilk (two greyhounds, in their fifteenth century arms), Forrester (a ratchhound, according to Mackenzie's "Herauldry", 1680), and Claybills of Invergowrie (greyhounds, ibid.) al! had canine arms; and dogs are often found as supporters, for the arms of the Earls of Haddington

From Mr R. M. Maxtone Graham

and Dundonald. Colquboun of Luss. Baronet, and others.

May I make two small correc-tions in the article? The two gold balls (more properly bezants or) cannot be arranged in saltire, which is the shape of an "X". Perhans "in bend" is what Mr Faux intended to say. The "insect" borne: by the Maxtones of Cultoquhey (the erms date back to 1410) is no ordinary insect, but is a bee with wings displayed (not "rampant") as the crest. Yours faithfully.

ROBERT MAXTONE GRAHAM, 6 Moat Sole,

No runs

Langport

Somerset.

December 21.

From Mr Charles Clark

Sir, Answering Mr Harvey's query today (December 21) there is one other instance of both England's opening batsmen being dismissed for nought. In 1973 against Pakistan at Hyderabad Denness and Amiss both made ducks in the second innings. In the past, however, Australia have done worse still. Against England at Old Trafford in 1888 their first four batsmen all scored nothing! Yours faithfully, CHARLES CLARK Wiltown Close, Curry Rivel,

Poor and in hock?

From Mr Alan Orme

Sir, How can we expect the young to count? A bottle of 1748 hock, costing about 28s in 1772, and selling for £260 some 207 years later, shows an increase of 18,571 per cent, not a palmy 2,000 per cent as you suggest (sale room report, December 7). My home has increased in value

by 1,500 per cent in a mere 20 years, so hig figures have to be handled with circumspection. Yours muly. ALAN ORME. Doverhay.

Charlwood Drive. Oxsbott, Swrev. December 7.

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SOCIAL NEWS | Forthcoming

Edinburgh will attend the laying up of Admiral of the Fleet Earl Mountbatten of Burma's Garter banner in St George's Chapel, Windsor, on Friday, February 8,

not today as stated resterday. A memorial service for Josa Viscountess Ingleby will take place on Tuesday, January 22, at

Holy Trinity, Brompton, at moon The Duke of Gloucester, as president, British Consultants Bureau, will attend a reception at Buckgiven by the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh for winners of the Queen's Awards for Export and Technology.

Princess Alice Duchess of Glou-cester, will attend the Fan Makers' company's election ser-vice and reception on February 27.

The Duke of Kent, president of the Royal Choral Society, will attend a concert at the Festival Hall on

Birthdays today

Major Sir Tatton Brinton, 64 Major Sir Tatton Brinton, 64;
Mr Alexander Chancellor, 40;
Sir Thomas Ferens. 77; Sir
Havelock Hudson, 61; Lieutenant-Commander Sir Ian Clark
Hutchison, 77; Sir Lesile Joseph,
72; Professor B. Josephson, 40;
Sir Thomas Robson, 84; the
Earl of Selkirk, QC, 74.

Today's engagements

Exhibition: The Shoe Show, 1790-1979, Institute of Contemporary Art, 12 Carlton House Terrace, 12-8. 12-8. Greek folk art, Horniman Museum, London Road, Forest Hill, 10.30-6. Laugh lines, cartoons, Lyric Theatre foyer, Hammersmith,

A century of local transport,
Passmore Edwards Museum,
Romford Road, 10-6.
Gifts, Design Centre, Haymarket,
9-30-5-30.

Costume and fashion in book and print, V and A Museum, Crom-well Road, 10-5.50; Challenge

well Road, 10-5.50; Challenge of the chip, Science Museum, Exhibition Road, 10-6.
Winning photographs from the 1979 British photographic competition, Kodak gallery, 246 High Holborn, 9-4.45.
For children: Children's Centre, where children can do quizzes, bark rubbings and drawings, and make models, Natural History Museum, Cromwell Road, 10-30-12-30; 2-4.

Concert: Janet Hilton, clarinet. Ralph Kirshbaum, cello: Beet-hoven, Brahms, Queen Elizabeth Hall, South Bank, 7.45.

£50,000 grant to university for offshore projects

A grant of £10,000 to be continued annually for five years has been made by BP Petroleum Development to the Institute of Offshore Engineering at Heriot-Watt University.

e grant will fund research innovative topics arising the institute's activities,

from the institute's activities, which embrace marine science, environmental protection and monitoring, and measurement, safety and cost in offshore resource exploitation.

Projects in progress include ones on underwater instrumentation and new development in remote sampling and detection of changes in water and seabed conditions. Part of the grant will be used to provide information used to provide information support to the university's Marine Technology Centre.
Professor T. D. Patten, university vice-principal and director of

ing, said:
"We welcome this grant
because we believe it shows that this great company recognizes the unique position in offshore tech-nology held by the institute."

Dinner

Lady Mayoress
The Lord Mayor and Lady
Mayoress entertained the following
guests at dinner at the Mansion Butters of trimer at the Mansion House yesterday:
The Australian High Commissioner and Lady Froeth, Lord and Lady Revolution of Hale. Lord and Lady Nelson of Stafford, Sir Anthony and Lady Hayward. Lieutenzai-Colontel and Mrs Rodney Dennys, Major-General and Mrs G. H. Mills, Camon and Mrs Guy Pentrouth and Mr and Mrs Ernest Pariser.

MEN

DAKS grey trousers.

● Lightweight suits...

• Fine poplin shirts....

Camel coats...

Simpson wool blazer...

Cashmere slipovers.....

WOMEN

Giovannozzi dresses...

Shetlandsweaters......

marriages

Mr N. S. Asthury and Miss S. M. Longman

and Miss S. M. Longman

The engagement is announced between Nigel Stephen, son of Mr and Mrs H. C. Astbury, of St Stephen's College, Hongkong, and Susan Mary, younger daughter of Mr D. M. H. Longman, of London, SE24, and Mrs B. D. Farmer, of Crockham Hill, Kent. Mr H. P. Chappell

and Miss A. L. Teh The engagement is announced between Harvey, son of Mr and Mrs H. T. Chappell, of Harrow, and Ailin, daughter of Mr and Mrs T. P. Teh, of Penang.

Mr S. Harris and Mrs F. Dillon

The engagement is announced between Simon Harris and Felicity Dillon. The marriage will take place quictly in London on February 8, 1980.

Mr M. C. Hardiman and Miss J. M. A. Govier

The engagement is announced between Maxwell Charles, only son of Mr and Mrs Peter C. Hardiman, of the Field House, Knighton-on-Teme. Worcestershire, and Jacqueleme, worcessershire, and jacque-line Marguerite Ann, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs L. J. Govier, of Ashburton Road, Birkenhead.

Mr D. L. Jones and Miss L. J. Gaskin

The engagement is announced between David, only son of Mr and Mrs A. A. Jones, of Wellington, New Zealand, and Lois, third between Geoffrey daughter of the late Mr and Mrs Gaskin, of Melbourne,

Mr M. I. Pilditch and Miss L. M. Norton and Miss L. M. Norton
The engagement is announced
between Michael, elder son of
Lieut-Commander and Mrs E. I.
Pliditch, of Dibden Purileut, Hampshire, and Louise, eldest daughter
of Mr and Mrs D. A. Norton, of
Buckland St Mary, Somerset. Mr P. Roche-Kelly and Miss C. Robinson

The engagement is announced between Peter, younger son of Dr and Mrs E. J. E. Roche-Kelly, of Scunthorpe, and Catherine, only daughter of Mr and Mrs W. Robinson, of Scunthorpe, Lincoln-

Mr R. J. Thornbill and Miss N. Dyke

the engagement is announced between Richard, son of Mr and Mrs R. N. Thornhill, of Heswall, Cheshire, and Nicola, daughter of Mr and Mrs P. J. Dyke, of Birney Hall, Throckley, Newcastle.

Mr T. P. Soulton and Miss R. K. Littler

The engagement is announced between Timothy Peter, eldest son of Canon and Mrs Peter Boulton, of Worksop Priory, Nottinghum-shire, and Ruth Kathleen, only daughter of Mr and Mrs L. W. Littler, of Kidsgrove, Stafford-

and Miss A. H. Turner

The engagement is announced between Eugh Brooke, younger son of the late Captain John Ellerton, RN, and Mrs Ellerton, of Lower End Farm, Granborough, Buckingboon, and Anna Harriet, cldest daughter of Mr and Mrs D. J. Turner, of The Coach House, School Lane, Welwyn, Hertfordshire.

Mr C. J. A. Holroyd and Miss J. M. Carrow

The engagement is announced between Charles, eldest son of Mr and Mrs John Holroyd, of Merrow, Guildford, and Julia, daughter of Mr and Mrs David Carrow, of Hartley Wintney, Rampshire.

Mr C. O. B. Meade-King and Miss L. M. Pragnell

The engagement is announced between Charles, son of Mr and Mrs R. O. Meade-King, of Polkerris, Par, Cornwall, and Lucy, daughter of Mr and Mrs A. W. Pragnell, of Sevenoaks.

and Miss A. B. Gale

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The engagement is announced between Geoffrey Robert, son of the late Colonel G. N. Preston and of Mrs W. N. Dashwood Lang, of Buehayes, Mordimer West End, Reading, Berkshire, and Angela Barbara, daughter of Mr and Mrs Peter W. Gale of The Paddocks, Follifoot, Harrogate.

Mr T. R. Scott and Miss S. L. Beare

The engagement is announced between Thomas Rogers, elder son of Mr and Mrs Justin Scott, of Barton Turf, Norfolk, and Sarah Lesley, daughter of Mr and Mrs Henry Beare, of Sheringham, Norfolk.

Mr R. M. Tickell, RE and Miss A. C. Harden

and Miss A. C. Harden
The engagement is announced between Robert Marston Tickell, Royal Engineers, elder son of Mr and Mrs R. L. Tickell, of Beaconsfield, Buckinghamshire, and Alexandra Caroline, only daughter of Mr and Mrs R. A. Harden, of Penn, Buckinghamshire.

to provide income. "But we need

to think of some benefits that membership will offer, and theatre managements are re-

sistant to offering reduced price

He forecast a number of battles ahead as theatre leases ran out;

but the trust was a statutory body and he was confident the battles would be won.

Mr David Crouch, Conservative Mr David Crouch, Conservative MP for Canterbury and deputy chairman of the trust, said it was unfortunate that responsibility fell between two stools. "I do think the buck is being passed between the Department of the Euvironment and the Arts ministry, each saying it is the other's responsibility to pay for us." But if we reached a crisis and

"But if we reached a crisis and could not pay our bills I cannot see the Government allowing us to fail. Acting emixely without government finance, we are re-quired by Act of Parliament to carry out a not insignificant form of government.

" In all instances of a proposed

change of use of a theatre it is required that there should be a reference to us; we act for the

Mr R. C. Cash and Miss B. R. Hoars

The engagement is announced between Robert Christopher, son of the late Mr T. H. E. Cash of the late Mr T. H. E. Cash and of Mrs E. C. Blake, of Newbury, Berkshire, and Belinda Rose-mary, daughter of Mr and Mrs Quintin Hoare, of Sandwich, Kent.

Mr W. Higgins and Miss D. Castle-Smith

The enagement is announced between William youngest son of the late Mr William Higgins and of Mrs Higgins, of Aberdeen, and Delia, younger daughter of Colonel and Mrs P. M. Castle-Smith, of Dunkeld, Perthshire.

Dr D. Moss and Miss C. M. Cahalan

The engagement is announced between Dorian, elder son of Mr and Mrs D. Moss. of 5 Frimley Grove Gardens, Frimley, Camber-ley, Surrey, and Christine, daughter of Mr and Mrs M. J. Cahalan, of Tanglewood, Whitchurch-on-Thames, Oxfordshire.

Mr M. T. Ramseyer and Miss L. C. Calnan

The engagement is announced between Michael Thomas, son of Mrs E. M. Ramseyer, and of the late Commander L. F. Ramseyer. DSC, of Northwood, Middlesex. and Lavinia Cherry, only daughter of Professor James Calnan, FRCS, FRCP, and Mrs Calnan, of Berk-hamsted, Hertfordshire.

Dr P. Simpkin and Miss M.-L. Sieger

The engagement is announced between Paul, son of the late Mr L. Simpkin, of Garforth, Leeds, and of Mrs Simpkin, of Long Melford, Suffolk, and Marie-Louise, daughter of the late Dr A. E. M. Sieger and of Mrs Sieger, of Pollokshields, Glasgow.

Captain I. F. Witts, ALC and Flight Officer P. A. Gibson, PMRAFNS The engagement is announced between lan Forbes, only son of Mr and Mrs L. M. Witts, of Oakham, Rutland, Leicestershire, and Patricia Ann, only daughter of Mr and Mrs J. Y. Gibson, of Hallfax, West Yorkshire.

Marriage

Mr C. D. Crosthwaite and Mile L. Le Vert and Mile L. Le Vert.

The marriage took place in Paris on December 20, 1979, between Mr Christopher Crosthwaite, son of Mr and Mrs Charles Crosthwaite, and Mile Laurence Le Vert. daughter of Baron and Baronne Le Vert.

Trust seeks Whitehall help Mr Christopher Godfrey Young to save threatened theatres

By Our Arts Reporter

A move to give greater protection to endangered theatres has been made by the Theatres Trost. It has proposed to the Department of the Environment that the criteria for listing a building as of historical or architectural interest should be extended to allow for a building's record as a theatre to be taken into

account. In its annual report the trust points out that there are many theatre buildings that fail to qualify under historical or architectural headings but are of con-siderable theatrical interest and play an important part in the social life of towns and cities. Discussions are to take place with the department to try to

establish the principle. Mr Hugh Jenkins, the trust's Mr Hugh Jenkins, the trust's part-time director and a former Minister for the Arts, said yesterday that it was considering ways of encouraging financial aid for its work. "We are surviving on a band-to-mouth basis, with no government funds", he said.
"We exist on about £7,000 a year and really need £15,000 to

year and really need 1.15,000 to DoE and in doing so we act also get by." One idea was to ed- with an interest in the activities courage a form of membership of the Minister for the Arts."

Latest wills

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Lancaster's new Vice-Chancellor seals 16-year link

Latest wills

Brigadler Sir Geoffrey Selby
Church, of Harfield, Hertfordshire,
who was ADC to King George VI,
1941-52, left £376,153 net.
Other estates include (net, before
tax paid; tax not disclosed):
De Fritzes, Mr John Edward, of
Hayes, Kent ...£120,902
Green, Mr Norman Charles, of
Milton Keynes, Buckinghamshire,
company director .£208,723
Kemp, Miss Amy Edith, of
Bournemouth ...£211,569
Williams, Mrs Florence, of Hampton, Middlesex ...£173,674 From John Chartres Lancaster Lancaster
The appointment of Professor
Philip Reynolds as the uext viceChancellor of Lancaster University
was confirmed yesterday at a
special meeting of the Committee of Council.

or Council.

Professor Reynolds who has been associated with the university since its early beginnings in a dissince its early beginnings in a dis-used warehouse in the city in 1964, has been acting vice-Chancellor since October, 1978. He succeeds Sir Charles Carter, the first vice-Chancellor, who is now chairman of the research and management committee of the Policy Studies Institute.

In 1970 Professor Reynolds became the first principal of the

became the first principal of the university's fifth college (Furness Coflege) and in 1973 was appoin-ted senior pro-vice-Chancellor with responsibility for academic

affairs.

He graduated from Queen's College, Oxford, in 1940 with a first-class BA in modern history, and served in the Army during the Second World War, being demobilized as a major in 1946. His career spans a number of visiting professorships and lecturing posts all over the world.

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From The Times of Tuesday, January 4, 1955 From our Correspondent From our Correspondent
Panama City, Jan 3.—Last
night's assassination of the President who brought Panama the
greatest economic and political
stability the country has known
for many years remains a crime
without visible purpose. There has
been no apparent attempt by any
elements to take political or economic advantage of the confusion
following President Remon's death.
The assassination had the profes-The assassination had the professional hallmark. The President was outlined against lights at the Juan Franco racecourse while drinking with a few friends after a race meeting. He was celebrating the professional believes the president accounter the professional pr win of his recently acquired Irish-bred mare Valley Star in the seventh race. The assassin or assassins apparently took up posi-tion behind a hedge about 20 yards

Diocese of Norwich

The Rev H. St. J. Hart, former Doan
of Queen's College, Cambridge and
reader in Bebow in the theological
faculty to be licensed preacher in the
diocese.
The Rev R. K. Brookes. cursie of
St. Peter, Burnley, diocese of Sisciburn, to be priest-in-charge of Bawdeswall with Footley, diocese of Norwich.

Latest appointments

is to be a circuit judge on the Midland and Oxford circuit. Other appointments include:

Mr W. R. Henderson to be Conservative Central Office agent for the 45 constituencies in the eastern area, succeeding Mr Peter Gower, who is appointed to the western

Mr Aiden Robinson to be president of the Canada-UK Chamber of Commerce for 1980, succeeding

Britain's new top librarian,

Mr Alex Wilson, who takes

over in March as director-

general of the British Library

Reference Division, when he

will have approaching 10

million printed items in his charge, wants this treasure house to be shared with a wider

public.
"That is what excites me

most", he said from his office

in Cheshire where he is serving

out his time as the county's

The dibrary is a treasure house to be exploited and not to be too obsessed with its

b) be too obsessed with as difficulties, great as they are, of conservation and storage."

Although there are still two months before he arrives in London, Mr Wilson has been bearing in touch He has been

keeping in touch. He has been a part-time member of the British Library Board since 1974

so he has a very good idea of the difficulties awaiting him.

Not the least is the question of the proposed move from the cramped British Museum quar-

ters in Bloomsbury to the spacious acres of Somers Town

Mr Wilson, who is aged 58.

knows it is vital to make an early start on the building

which will bring together under

one roof all the library's stocks, not only those in its main building but in 14 associated premises used for storage and

offices, It will take 10 years from start to finish and costs are going to rise enormously

By Our Medical Correspondent

Seven women who acquired hepatitis B, a form of infectious jaundice, from their gyoaccologist have probably made medical

history.

That type of hepatitis is a recognized occupational hazard for doctors and nurses (and caused several deaths in an outbreak in

are artificial leidney unit in Edinburgh in 1970) but transmission from doctor to patient has not been reported before, though a dentist may have been responsible for one previous outbreak in the United States.

The detective work involved in tracing the source of the English outbreak is described in a report from the Public Health Laboratory Service in the Lancet today. The

investigation began when seven women in one area all developed bepatits shortly after gynaecolo-

near Euston Station.

during that period.

director of libraries and arts.

By Kenneth Gosling

Arts Reporter

By the Staff of Nature
Although some popular accounts
may give the impression that the
natural world is full of endless
chains of organisms all preying on
others smaller than themselves,
ecologists have known for some
time that such is not the case.

Now two American scientists,
Dr H. M. Hastings, of the Department of Mathematics of Hofstra
University in Hempstead, New
York, and Dr M. Conrad, of the
Department of Computer Science
and Biology of Wayne State
University in Detroit, have combined some of the principles of
modera mathematical ecology to
show how they believe food chains
are restricted in length.

Often, they say, circumstances
favour just three links—plants
that convert the Sun's energy to
potential food, a herbivore that
tests the Dants and a carnivore

Hospital, Paddington, yesterday.

that convert the Sun's energy to potential food, a herbivore that eats the plants and a carnivore that eats the herbivore.

Although understanding of food chains and their stability is important because agriculture, pest control and many other practices involve attempts to alter their length. Growing crops for direct human consumption, for example, eliminates the herbivores that would graze on them in the wild. Shortening of a food chain in that way contrasts with attempts to control pests by introducing

Librarian with 10m printed works

Mr Alex Wilson.

recession.

million items a year. That, he said, is something of a night-

mare to contemplate if it goes

on for more years than it has

to; the service to readers has to be considered as well as

libraries in 1974 coincided with

the arrangement of the British

Library in its present form; it also created some of the big-gest library systems in the world in the face of severe

Six years had not been

"It brought together many

enough, Mr Wilson said, to complete all the possibilities

of their treatment, but tests soon

established that the only common link was that all had been operated on by the same surgeon, Further tests showed that he

was a symptomless, unsuspecting carrier of the virus. How the in-

fection was passed on remains

Hepatitis B is transmitted by blood to blood content: blood transfusion, contamination of a

for the British Library.

conservation and storage. The reorganization of public predators to feed on them, thus lengthening the food chain—a procedure well known to be full of difficulties.

Lady Tryon with her two-week-old twins, the Hon Victoria

Clementine, the first-born, and the Hon Edward Henry, at St Mary's

Science report

Ecology: Keeping food chains short

of difficulties.

In the past a main argument has been that available energy limits the length of food chains. According to that argument, the limit is imposed because the energy harnessed by the plants, known as the primary producers, does not all pass from one consumer to the next in the chain; much of it is used on the way.

rext in the chain; much of it is used on the way.

Thus the number of consumers in the chain would be limited to those few that could obtain sufficient energy to fulfil their needs.

However, one problem with that argument is that food chains do not seem to be any charter in not seem to be any shorter in barren Arctic and Aniarctic regions than in tropical savannah, although the primary producers harness a great deal more energy in the latter sort of environment. The new explanation considers

the question of energy transfer within the food chain, and also takes into account present ecological ideas about the way animals optimize the benefits they gain from their food resources.

Dr Hastings and Dr Conrad point but they according to the second of the contradictions of the second of the contradictions of the contradict out that a carmivorous species that is fourth in a food chain can obtain equally suitable food by preying on another carnivorous species

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"There are enormous difficulties with the photo-

ment; he already has a reputa-

Mr Wilson said the new job

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said last mooth.

that is immediately behind it in the chain, or by preying on the herbivorous species that is second nerotocrous species that is second in the chain.

But by preying on the herbivores, it will obtain more energy
than it would by consuming the
carnivores one stage farther along
the chain.

Animals are widely thought to Animals are widely thought to

Animas are widery thought to seek their food so as to exploit the richest sources of energy available to them. Thus the optimal strategy for the carnivores that are fourth in a food chain will be to prey on the herbivores and, in effect, to move along to the third position in the chain. position in the chain.

Those carnivores will occasion-

Those carmivores will occasionally eat other species of carnivores in self-defence, but they will concentrate predominantly on the richer source of energy provided by the herbivores. Thus the food chain will be restricted to three lines. links.
With their suggestion and its

supporting mathematics, Dr Hastings and Dr Courad have pro-vided an explanation for the widespread occurrence of short food chains that should appeal to many of the present breed of ecologists. Source: Natur2 (volume 282, page 838). December 20/27. 1979. © Nature-Times News Service, 1980.

grandmaster tournament at Has-tings when his game in round six was adjourned yesterday when he was about to win a pawn and come down to a favourable rook-and pawn ending.

now, but for a limited scholarly market. We would have to be some advantage on adjournment, but that may be insufficient to achieve a win.

The Soviet grandmaster, Makary-The library world have welcomed Mr Wilson's appoint-

would be a tremendous change after administering a network of 54 public libraries, museums and other cultural buildings as well as serving some 650 schools and information ser-

He is not he said, so much interested in Literature with a capital "L", but as a means of extending his own experience. His main relaxa-tion is with his sizable colles-tion of discs and tapes.

A love of music, he feels, any be a natural reaction to those years spent among The British Library board

has also appointed Mr Peter R. Lewis, MA, as director general of its bibliographic services division, formed in 1974 from remises used for storage and fired. It will take 10 years room start to finish and costs re going to rise enormously uring that period.

The library acquires two remains to provide the former Britis institutions between the division, formed in the former Britis Bibliography Ltd. I between the divisions of the library itself and the outside resigned last year. the former British National Bibliography Ltd. He succeeds Patient caught hepatitis from her doctor

Coward, who

in order to preserve professional confidentiality and allow the surgaon "to reorganize his professional life").

At first the outbreak was Such accidents are less common in other forms of surgery.

The report calculates that there may be 14, gynaecologists, 80 dental surgeons, and 42 other surgeons in Britain who may be hepatitis carriers, but that only 10 per cent of these are likely to be highly infective.

The surgeon responsible for this thought to be due to the women having been given contaminated blood or intravenous fluids as part

The surgeon responsible for this outbreak has had to give up operating, as there is no treatment that will correct his carrier status, though he became noninfective spontaneously.

The report argues, however, that hospital staff should not (like

blood donors) be screened to detect carriers; it would be diffi-cult to justify suspending NHS staff found to be carriers but who had not been shown to transmit infection to patients.

Routine screening to prevent a rare event could offer little advantage but would almost cer-

does.
"We now build nearly airtight masonry boxes, in which the occupants may heat the air In an indictment of modern rapidly and briefly twice a day. Brian

Ulf Andersson keep chess lead From Harry Golombek

Chess Correspondent

Hastings It looks as though Ulf Andersson will still be in the lead in the ICL

graphic department and it would have to be done in parmership. A lot is being done Speelman pressed Lein hard throughout the session and had

the Soviet grandmaster, makery-chev, after starting off the tourna-ment with five limp draws, suddenly awoke against the Yugoslav grandmaster, Raicevic, and took advantage of his oppotion as a leading library and arts administrator. "The news should rejoice all librarians." the Library Association Record

nent's early blunder to win four pawns in succession. Short and Mestel had a cut-and-thrust game that rightly ended in a draw after 29 moves.

a draw after 29 moves.

Scores at the end of round six:

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Adjourned games results, round five: Mostel 1. Bellin 0; Selrawan 12, Speek-man 12.

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OBITUARY MR PATRICK HUTBER Vigorous writer on finance

Mr Patrick Hutber, the wellknown financial journalist, Associate Editor and economic commentator of the magazine Now and previously City Editor of The Sunday Telegraph, died in hospital in London yester! day. He was seriously injured in a road accident on December 18 last year and did not regain. consciousness. He was 51. Hutber was one of those financial journalists whose articles were often enjoyed as much by the lay reader as by those who work in government or the City, for he wrote with or the City, for he wrote with a fine attack and his pungent; style was well-suited to his vigorous questioning of the policy of the party in power, or the decisions of the board of a large company. He was light on his feet and his appear. ances on radio or television were always highly individual. He was given the Financial Journalist of the Year, Award made by the trustees of the

made by the trustees of the Wincott Foundation in 1972 when City Editor of The Sunday Telegraph. It was an award which would have pleased Harold Wincott (who, died in 1969), himself a financial writer much admired for his directness and wit.

Hutber, the son of H. A. M. Hutber, OBE, was born on May 18, 1928 and educated at Ealing County Grammar School Ealing County Grammar School and New College, Oxford where he was Galsworthy scholar. He was secretary and librarian of the Union in 1951.

After a period as a trainee with J. Lyons and with the Institute of Bankers as a research assistant, he went to the Financial Times in 1957, the Financial Times in 1957, becoming commercial editor in 1959 and contributing the "Lex" column in 1961. In 1964 he founded, as a freelance, the "Questor" column in The Daily Telegraph. In 1965 he joined the staff of The Sunday Telegraph as City Editor, and so remained until he left to become an executive on the founding staff of the magazing Now.

Hutber's dislike of national changes which, in his view, unfairly discriminated against the starus and welfare of the middle classes was always much in his thoughts, and was apt to emerge in his weekly articles in The Sunday Telegraph. He discussed the matter at much greater length and with his usual trenchancy in his book The Decline and Fall of the Middle Class and How It Can Fight Back, which was pub-lished in 1976. In 1978 he edited What is Wrong with Britain?

He married in 1959 Josephine Mary Robbie. They had a son and three daughters.

RIGHT REV E. R. MORGAN

The Right Rev Dr Edmund Robert Morgan, Bishop of Truro from 1951 to 1959, died recently at the age of 91.

He will be widely mourned, for he had a gift for personal friendship with all sorts and

conditions of people which amounted to genius. To the day that still remained of the friendships he made at Winchester College, where he was a scholar, and at New College, Oxford; and whether one was a very old friend or a new one made no difference at all.

He developed friendships to the point of spiritual intimacy very quickly, and there was al-ways room in that warm and wide heart for anyone whom God sent his way. That is how he would have put it, and they

Morgan was born a Londouer,
of a legal family, on July 28,
1888, and eventually was ordained to a curacy at Farnham in 1913, and served a second curacy at Eastleigh from 1915 to 1919. He was long remembered there, partly because of his proficiency in bathing small babies in houses of sickness during the influenza epidemic of 1919.

After a spell as domestic chaplain to Bishop Talbot of Winchester he went to Selly Oak to take charge of the College of the Ascension; where women missionaries had their... raining. This gave him his second life interest, the bearing of the Catholic movement of the Church upon its missionary

history.

Thus he was for several years. the editor of the East and West -Review, and he also edited at least two volumes of missionary. essays by various hands. He was a good editor, a better editor, in fact, than a writer, for his own writing was so closely packed that he would always make one sentence do the work-of several margaranhe

make one sentence do the workof several paragraphs.

From Selly Oak he went back
to Winchester to double the
parts of an archdeacon and a
country parson, until a residentiary canonsy fell vacant,
when he was appointed to it,
and also to the suffrager, and also to the suffragan bishopric of Southampton. In this office it fell to him to lay the sound foundations of the reconstruction of the life of the Church in devastated Southampton after the war. In 1951 he succeeded to the

see of Truro. He found it a not wholly happy diocese. In and incredibly short time, however, largely by a judicious mixture of hard, grinding work and human sympathy he made it one of the happiest dioceses in the country. He instituted various reforms, notably by relieving all subsequent bishops of the impossible house of Lis Escop, and the impossible, burden of trying to be Dean of the Cathedral and Bishop of the Diocese at the same moment.

Mr Niro Hoshi jima, a former. Speaker of the House of Representatives in Japan, died in Tokyo on January 3, aged 92... He was first elected as a member of the House in 1920, and was returned 16 consecutive? times until 1963.

Marie Fillippeschi, the Italian's tenor singer, died on Christmas. Day. He was 76.

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cut or needle prick, or even nattooing with a dirty needle. All the patients had had important gytaecological operations, in which the surgeon is operating in a confined space and may accidentally puncture his own skin. ___The Most___ __Fashionable__ gical surgery at one of two local hospitals (the Lancet report gives no names or geographical details away, set up a Browning automatic rifle on a standard tripod, and fired with accuracy greater than has generally been the case in previous political shootings in this area. Though shocked by the death tainly create enormous difficulties.

Lancet January 5, page 1. Uncounted cost of council house defects of their popular former chief, members of the National Guard requests for cash for remedial building practices, Mr Rabeneck By Our Planning Reporter remain in calm control of the city A widely-held suspicion that the extent of structural defects in council housing built during the 1960s and 1970s and the cost that it will have to spend and showed no disposition for reckless vengeance. In the same argues that architects are so set about by design guidance, rules and standards, policy and way, assumption of the presidency by the former first Vice-President cost limits, that just to satisfy and Foreign Minister, Senor José Ramon Guizado, was constitutional and uneventful. of remedying them have yet to £8.5m on strengthening six be disclosed is strengthened by estates of flats built on the an article in the annual review Bison wall frame system, have them all passes for design.

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IN BRIEF

Delegation of be particularly fierce in manufacturing, which is exposed to intense foreign competition made more difficult by the high value of the pound. Distributive and service leave for Rhodesia

The first organized group of British businessmen to visit Southern Rhodesia since the lifting of sauctions leaves London today for a week-long "pathfinder mission" arranged by the Institute of Directors.

The six-strong delegation, led by Mr James Moorfoot, member of the institute's council and chairman of Kodak, will examine the state of the Rhodesian economy and meet husinessmen in the public and the private sectors.

the private sectors. The delegation will also meet the Governor, Lord Soames, and the leaders of the principal policical parties. It will travel round the country to see mining, industrial and agricul-tural developments.

Leyland goes racing

Leyland Vehicles, the truck and bus arm of BL, is to cosponsor a grand prix Formula One racing team in its 1980 sales drive. Unipart, BL's parts divi-sion, is also spending a reported £500,000 on Formula One racing sponsorship this year. The Ley-land Vehicles link-up is with the British-based Williams racing team, which won five grands prix last year. Its other team sponsor is the Saudi Arabian airline, Saudia, and the cars will bear the Saudi-Leyland name.

Army savings plan

The Army has given its approval to a savings and investment package designed by brokers Stewart Wrightson and Wilson and Co. The plan, which involves a single deduction from pay, includes investment in a building society and a medium and long term insurance policy. The money will principally be invested with Royal Insurance and Britannia Building Society. Individual financial advice can also be made available to any also be made available to any of the 160,000 soldiers who use the savings scheme.

Fewer days lost

A total of 563,000 days were lost through industrial disputes in November, far fewer than in the previous month or in the same month in 1978, But 1979 was firmly established as the worst post war year as a result of the days lost in the engineering dispute in the autumn. A total of 27,744,000 days had been lost by the end of November, with 17 million losses in the engineering industry.

Unions recruit

Trade union membership ose by 266,000 in 1978 to rose by 265,000 in 1978 to 13,112,000, according to the Department of Employment Department of Employment Gazette. About 71 per cent of union members were men. Be-tween 1968 and 1978, union memberships rose by 3 million while the number of unions fell by over a fifth.

Fairey expansion

Fairey Holdings, one of the National Enterprise Board subsidiaries which is rumoured to be up for disposal, has acquired the low-pressure filter manufacturing company, Arlon BV of Arnhem for S2m (£893,000) from the Chromalloy American Corporation.

UK oil flow cut Oil production from the 13 United Kingdom offshore fields fell from 1.6 million barrels in October to 1.5 million in November largely as a result of gas payments, were already begin-ning to have a beneficial impact. flaring restrictions placed on the Shell/Esso Brent field.

Recession fears force industry to cut back on investment

By David Blake

A growing awareness of the imminence of a deep recession is forcing British industry to revise downwards its plans for investment this year and next, according to figures published by the Department by the Department of Industry.

Distributive and service industries are still expecting a slight increase in the volume of their investment this year. compared to a drop of 6 to 10 per cent being forecast by manufacturers.

The figures come from the response to the latest of the Department of Industry's regu-lar surveys of investment intentions for industry and they make much gloomier reading than previous surveys. The survey shows that investment during 1979 is likely to turn out about 3 per cent lower than in 1978.

The fall in investment during 1980 is expected to be very sharp in textiles, clothing leather and the motor industry. Engineering, including ship-building and metal manufactur-ing, and the miscellaneous manufacturing group expect only small falls.

Although indications for 1981 are at a preliminary stage, it looks likely that there will be a further fall next year below this year's level.

Even during the 1970s, which were a bad time for investment in manufacturing, there was never an occasion when invest-ment fell three years in a row, so the indications are deeply depressing for the prospects for British industry trying to compete in world markets. It is expected that investment this year will be 18 per cent below the peak level reached for a manufacturing back in

One of the most striking features of Britain's investment performance in the past 10 years has been the decline in

More jobs

at Avon

By Richard Evans

Avon Rubber, the Wiltshire-

based tyre group, is to make further cuts to its 8,000-strong

workforce. During the past year it has reduced the number

of employees at its Bridgend plant in South Wales from 550

to 450.
The forthcoming reductions

will be spread over almost every activity of Avon Rubber. Mr Tony Mitchard, an executive

director with the group, said last night. But he would not

reveal how many jobs were at

risk.
"I think we are doing what

everybody in British industry is having to do in order to stay competitive. We have got to get more productivity from the people we have or the same

productivity from fewer.
"The situation is no different

in Avon than it is in most of British industry. We do have

a degree of overmanning, which

with a strong pound cannot be afforded."

afforded."
Mr Mitchard said the staff
reductions would involve
natural wastage and some redundancies. "I think it is going
to be a sensible programme of
reduction which will leave us in

a better shape in 12 months time "To quote figures", he aided, "would not be the best

At the group's headquarters in Melksham, Wikshire there are a total of 3,500 employees. The group, which also manufactures industrial polymers and

medical equipment also has factories in the Midlands.

Mr Mitchard said the staff reductions made at Bridgend, which involved the group paying out £150,000 in redundancy

thing to do".

the share of total investment attributable to manufacturing.

In 1970, manufacturing ac-counted for 54 per cent of all investment. This year it is expected to account for only about 40 per cent, although the figures may give a slightly false impression as they do not include leased goods as being investment in manufacturing.

Falling investment and reductions in the levels of stocks are expected by the Government to be a major part of industry's attempt to live with the consequences of recession during the coming year. The Treasury is forecasting a 2 per cent drop in total output for 1980 compared to 1979, the sharpest drop in recent years.

The recession of 1980 is already the best-advertised slump of recent times and companies have clearly decided not to be caught out with overambitious expansion plans

The survey was carried out in the weeks from early October to the middle of December, so it gives the first official insight into companies' responses to the impact of the increase in interest rates announced in November.

It may, however, understate the extent to which companies will be forced to revise downtight or expensive credit. The only reasonably bright

sector remains services, which expect to increase their investment by 5 per cent in 1980, The Government's hope is that, in the longer run, its policy of cutting back on public borrowing and taxation will make it easier for industry to raise the funds which it needs to invest and will make the profits which flow from that investment more attractive. At present, however, industry

ms to be responding in its traditional way by feeling that demand is the most important single factor influencing profits. If demand is going to fall, industry sees little point in making extra investment for goods

Mr Michael Vernon: in no hurry to leave.

capturing Spillers

Just about the last act in the

long-drawn-out but unsuccessful struggle by Mr Michael Vernon,

the outgoing chairman, to keep Spillers the flour-to-pet-foods concern out of the reach of bidder Dalgety, was played out

Dalgety reported that accep-

tances had been received for its offers from holders of 91.7 per cent of the ordinary shares and 97.8 per cent of the preference

Taking into account Spillers'

shares already held, Dalgety now controls 94 per cent of

Spillers' issued capital. Notices will be dispatched to enable

preference shares under sec-

By Peter Wainwright

last night.

Dalgety now assured of

Shell and BP sign up deals with Iran

Energy Correspondent

Shell and British Petroleum have tied up nine-month deals to buy crude oil from Iran at \$30 a barrel, which is \$6 a bar-rel above moderate Saudi Arabia's price and 28 per cent above the final quarter price for 1979.

Neither company has received contracts for as much oil as it wished. The volumes agreed are less than 50 per cent of those of the second half of last year and are a fraction of the quantities available during the Shah's rule.

A BP spokesman said the

in the final quarter of last year and the 450,000 barrels a day initially agreed with the new regime in April. In the first nine months of 1978 BP lifted 1.1m barrels a day from Iran.

Shell has been promised only 95,000 barrels a day compared with 195,000 barrels a day in the final quarter of 1979 and 235,000 barrels a day agreed in

April.

The price of \$30 is made up of the official government selling price fixed by Iran during Opec meeting in Caracas,

agreed with Japanese buyers, who, last year, are thought to have taken 455,000 barrels a day from Iran, equal to 10 per cent of Japanese imports.

Western governments will be pleased that Iran has proved unable to gain the reported demands of \$36 a barrel, although the price is among the highest being demanded by Opec coun-ries since the Caracas meeting broke up. Mr David Howell, Secretary

of State for Energy, had made it plain to BP and Shelt that the Government would be dis-

company was "disappointed" mium element to produce an pleased if such a high price to receive only 125,000 barrels average of \$30 a barrel. This were paid a day compared with the 365,000 is a similar formula to that Yesterday BP said that despite the disappointing quantity boped to satisfy all group

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affiliates demands. But the further reduction in BP's crude oil supplies—adding to the loss of 100,000 barrels a day from Nigeria last August-must be a severe blow. BP has been negotiating a change in its agree-ment with the British National Oil Corporation to swap Middle East oil for the Government's 51 per cent purchase entitle-ment of Forties crude.

Shell UK came closest to buy-ing more oil on the spot market because of Government re-

strictions on production from the Brent field. Both BP and Shell are likely to have to buy increased spot quantities. Where Iran will sell its oil remains uncertain. It is not selling to American groups in reaction to President Carter's em-bargo, and cannot sell all its

oil to Japan. It may be looking for government to government deals or to the spot markets. Mr Ali Akbar Moinfar, th Iranian oil minister, has said Iran intends to produce between 3 million and 3.5 million barrels a day in 1980, but Iran has

not yet signed contracts for any-thing like that quantity. How much a barrel? page 15

Reserves up £136m in December, despite undervaluation of gold

Britain's reserves of gold and foreign currency rose by \$302m (£136m) in December, reversing four months' decline that had largely reflected the relaxation and, finally, abolition of exchange controls.

Latest monthly figures show that during 1979 official hold-ings of gold and foreign cur-rency have increased by over 57,000m, from \$15,694m to \$22,719m.

But the figures alone can be misleading. On the one hand, they exaggerate the size of the inflows in the sense that some \$4,500m arose from a revaluation of gold, SDRs and other convertible currencies holdings at the end of March. On the other hand, the year-end figure for the reserves clearly understates their underlying value. for the reserves clearly imper-states their underlying value— the \$178 an ounce March re-valuation of gold holdings is now well adrift. Revaluation at the present gold price would lift the value of reserves to over \$30,000m.

Official policy is to revalue the gold holding annually on the basis of average market prices in the three months to the end of March, less 25 per cent.

revalution looks likely to boost reserves appreciably, our hold-ings of gold are less than many

than a tenth of America's, and less than a quarter of the official holdings of Switzerland, France, Germany and Italy. There has been good overseas

other countries. They are less

demand for sterling for much of the year. Since the spring, however, official policy has been to limit intervention in the foreign exchange market to "smoothing" operations, al-though there was considerable intervention to hold the rate down during July.

Authorities also intervened last mouth as sterling met fresh overseas demand. The underlying inflow over the month was \$493m (after allowing for the net repayment of public sector borrowings made under the exchange cover scheme of 670m and a capital repayment on long-term North American loans of \$121m).

Overseas demand for sterling during the year has been on capital account, acting as a counter to the large outflows on the trade account. Overseas investors have been attracted to sterling as a petroleum cur-rency and because of the high level of interest rates that have prevailed in the United Kingdom for much of the year.

In the year shead, the Gov. ernment is to repay \$1,800m of overseas currency borrowing.

Link-up is designed to help savers

By Margaret Stone

An experimental link between Prudential Assurance and the Leicester Building Society will be launched in the West Country at the beginning of next

It will cover 17 Leicester branch offices and involve over 900 agents of the Prudential who make home visits to their

Agents from the Prudential, the largest life office in the country, will be encouraged to channel lump sum investments of their clients into the buildmg society. In its turn, the Leicester, eighth largest society, will make these funds available for mortgages.

The Leicester sees the pilot scheme as plugging a gap in the savings market for the half of savings market for the half of the population which has neither bank nor building society account. The Prudential, for its part, hopes that its agents will now have a satis-factory answer for those custo-mers who ask: "How do I get a mortgage?".

The two organizations have been discussing the project since early last summer and are prepared to give it a year's trial, although if it justifies its exist-ence earlier, the scheme will be

made national before then. Neither party has a clear idea as to how much money could be involved, but if the gross inflow exceeds £1 million it will be rated a success.

The Prudential has assets of over £6,000 million. operates from 460 district offices and controls 9,000 agents: The Leicester has nearly 200 will be dispatched to enable ber. The latest annual report Dalgety to buy compulsorily the indicated a holding of 310,000 remaining Spillers ordinary and shares. The Dalgety offer was Leicester has nearly branches and assets of



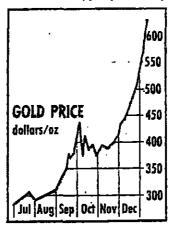
Mining and metal shares reap benefit By Peter Wainwright

The latest surge in bullion fuelled a fresh flight into gold and other metal shares yesterday. Even the poorest mines are profitable now if the new gold price holds. But in New York bullion began to ease, though it did so too late to influence

it did so too late to influence share prices here.

Anglo American Cold rose a massive \$17.25 to \$100, while West Driefontein climbed \$1.50 to \$71. Leslie went ahead by \$1 to \$17\$. Consolidated Gold Fields rose 21p to 419p. Bullion dealer Johnson Matthey duly advanced 27p to 233p. advanced 27p to 233p.

Dearer platinum brought a 33p gain to 269p in Rustenburg, while better copper prices help-



ed Rio Tinto-Zinc up 12p to 355p. Charter Consolidated rose 8p to 150p. Australian mining issues were

busy, and North Kalgurli rose 3p to 50p. But Northern Mining slipped 21p to 143p and Ashton Mining 15p to 149p on fears of the United States selling part of its diamond stock.

Buying from both the United

Kingdom and the Continent brought good gains to Canadian brought good gains to Canadian mines but the profits were too tempting to resist, and most closed down on the day. Noranda fell \$Can! to \$Can 23\(^2\) while Sherritt Gordon shed a \$Can! to \$Can13\(^2\). At home, both gilt-edged and ordinary shares remained neglected, but they rose above the worst on reports of a formula

worst on reports of a formula to reopen talks with British Steel. The FT Index fell below 400 in the morning, but ended only 0.1 off at 406.9. Gilts finished up to a ! better on the day.

Small investors lead an 'unprecedented' rush for gold coins

Thousands of gold sovereigns and South African Krugerrands are being sold as small investors cash in on the surge in the price The Marble Arch branch of

Barclays Bank, the only bank in Britain where sovereigns can be bought over the counter, has sold more than 1,000 of the coins in two days and ran out of them at one stage yesterday. Before the bank's gold price fixing session the 22 carat coin was selling for £69.20 in the morning. By the afternoon, when gold had reached \$634

an ounce, the coin was fetching £78.95. Barclays started selling the gold sovereign at the branch on December 11, when the price was 556, and since then has sold 3,000. Yesterday queues

A bank spokesman said:
"The rush for sovereigns over
the last two days has been
unprecedented."

24 carat South African coin, were selling at 5285 yesterday,

more than usual in a morning. One London dealer who sold out of Krugerrands on Monday said yesterday that that section of its business was officially closed for stocktaking. A spokesman said: "We

have had a very big demand for them and obviously it looks as though gold can go higher." Another dealer said the ordinary investor was being tempted by the idea of quick profits but "somebody is going to get his fingers burned sooner or later"

Retail jewellers expect their prices will have to rise within a few months to take account gold in jewellery. One retailer said he fixed his prices once a year and it meant there were many good bargains for the clever

lever shopper. The British Dental Associa« formed and some people were The British Dental Associa-reported to be buying up to tion said yesterday that many dentists were becoming in-creasingly concerned about the rise in gold prices because of the gold content of crowns. The National Health Service

Krugerrands, the one nunce scale of fees was fixed until October but the new rate would be made retrospective to April: £24 more than at lunchtime on A spokesman said dentists. Wednesday and nearly £120 must hope the new rates took more than the price at the start account not just of the soaring more than the price at the start account not just of the soaring of 1979.

Standard Chartered Bank which was used in the amalgam said it had sold 30 at one for fillings.

German bids take all at IMF monthly sale were the Dresdner Bank of

Washington, Jan 3.—The International Monetary Fund said today that three West German banks and their affiliates were the buyers of all of Frankfurt. of the 444,000 ounces of gold auctioned at record prices f the 444,000 ounces of gold The IMF sold the 444,000 ounces of gold at this constraints.

The successful bidders at the average price of \$562.85 and the av vesterday.

affiliates in Luxembourg and Singapore. The Deutschebank of Frankfurt and the D.G. Bank of

IMF's monthly gold auction ounce.

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Extract from the Report and Accounts to 28th September, 1979			
RESULTS AT A GLANCE -in £'000	1979	1978	
Turnover	22,881	20,012	
Profit before tax	4,126	3.541	
Profit after tax and minorities	2,677	1,953	
Earnings per share (as reported)	15.82p	11.55p	
Earnings per share (fully taxed)	11.84p	10.14p	
Dividends per share	5.0764p	4.3773n	

Some points made by the Chairman, Mr. Cyril Ainscough, in mid-

- December, 1979. * Turnover up 14% produced pre-tax profits up 16%%
- > Some delays in spending on capital projects helped to produce exceptional interest received
- ## 29-bedroom hotel completed last month in Workington, and addition of 54 bedrooms, squash courts and symming pool at Tralalgar Hotel, near Preston, due to open in March.
- # Beersales up 2% after another summer of poor weather, most growth coming again from Statom lager.
- ★ First beer price increase since last February unavoidable soon. Unexciting sales since September, and national conditions, point to increased pressure on margins this year,

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Rates for small denomination bank noises only as supplied yesterday by Barriays Bank International Life.
Different rates apply to travellers' choques and other foreign currency buriness.

article in the latest Employment Gazette that graduates are strengthening their grip on the managerial posts in the British was the public administration sector which was particularly successful in attracting them, and it was commerce which did 108.50 1.68 147.50 9.16 3.49 2.24 best at setting people who were "second-guessing " their career

The survey reveals just how badly industry has done in recent years at getting and dustry, he commercial sector

gets worse when degree holders becoming managers, but that tion.
have had a few years to look more and more of them are Wol moving out of the manufactur- disadvantaged in the race for

Graduates fill managerial posts, but favour public services

Plenty of room at the top to spare in industry

tion 209 of the 1948 Companies

Spillers has continued to

fight Dalgety to the last. In early December there was still a 17 per cent minority holding,

hig enough to stop Dalgety from integrating Spillers into its operations. A fall in Daigety shares did not serve to induce

the minority to give way. Mr Vernon was also in no burry to

leave the chairmanship.

However, the end was signalled in mid-December when Mr Vernon sold a large block

of his shares in the market. He sold 136,724 of them at 43.5p late in November and a further

130,090 at 43p early in Decem-

worth 43p a share.

largest outflows.
The number of graduates that a sector of the economy has depends more on whether it is good at attracting people economy, but that in 1977 it after their first job than how many it gets straight from university or polytechnic. It is in this field that industry does particularly badly. Commerce, on the other hand, seems to

have an almost irrestible at-

traction for men with engineer-

ing and science backgrounds who are disillusioned with in-

Women remain prefoundly

around. In a survey of people moving out of the manufacturwho graduated in 1970 Mr Peter ing sector and into commerce, managerial posts; they have
Williamson of the Department or education. Mechanical and only half as much chance of
Employment's Unit for Manpower Studies, shows in an largest outflows.

This was to the cause or the This may be the cause or the consequence of their much greater willingness to move about from sector to sectorbecome much more acute in recent years. It is the best and the brighest, those with first-class honours degrees, who are particularly able and willing to move from sector to sector.

But whereas women seem more willing to move from sector to sector, men are more inclined to move from job to

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Industry in Britain is failing holding graduates. Most sur- also manages to attract some of to attract its fair share of prisingly, it shows that engineers the many women graduates who of women cannot be put down are particularly successful at start out in public administration to their unwillingness to stick at an activity. The survey is based on

questionnaires sent to over

12,000 people who graduated in 1970, half of whom sent back answers, and it has been checked to see that it is broadly representative. From the detailed figures within the survey it is possible to build up a picture of the extrasomething which seems to have ordinary complex flows of people on their way to the top of industry. Some sectors of the economy, such as education, saw a marked reduction in their importance as job suppliers between 1966, when the last similar survey was done and 1977.

David Blake

Italian TUC approves strike rules

After more than a year of discussions the three Italian trade union confederations of CGH. CISL and UIL. who oppose regulation by law of strikes, last night approved a six point document on self-discipline in industrial action. It is more modest than envisaged, applying principally to public services and not to industry. After more than a year of

It affects "services designed to guarantee the protection of health and the safety of persons, and those in which the trade union movement identifies collective wellbeing and interests which require to be safeguarded."

Currency control fails

Zaire government's attempt to check inflation by withdraw-ing currency from circulation is progressively collapsing according to reports. Airports and frontiers were closed on December 25 but currencies have been pouring into the cognity across the closed frontier; fraud and corruption have been remnant. been rampant.

US car output down American car production for December 1979 was 28 per cent below the 1978 level. Although the car makers had been steadily trimming production plans in response to lower-than-expected new car sales, December's output was a less cent short of what was plauned at the end of Novembers The figure was the lowest since the 1974 slump,

New Talbot closure

The management of PSA Pengeot-Citroen SA's Spanish Talbot subsidiary has ordered a new lock-out at its Madrid car and truck factory after closure for 24 hours. Work had not resumed in the plant where the dispute is costing an estimated 300m pesetas (£2.05m) a day.

Exports to Iran fall

West German exports to Iran fell by nearly two thirds to 1,960m Deutsche marks (£513m) from 5,770m Deutsche marks (£1;512m) in the first ten months of 1978. The decline was most obvious in engineering energy tensor of the control of the contro

Dutch economic fears The 1980s could be more

difficult for the Dutch economy than the last decade and a change in wages policy is needed by the government and both sides of industry, Mr F. W. Rutten, secretary-general at the Economics Ministry,

Wide opposition to Inland Revenue's tax proposals for company cars

Managers cling to fringe benefits

Management Correspondent Akhough management organizations are Akthough management organizations are against fringe benefits in principle, most are not prepared to see them coded yet. This is the main message contained in a flood of more than 200 submissions sent to the Inland Revenue in answer to its proposals to reduce tax concessions on company cars.

This week saw the closing date for This week saw the closing date for reactions to the Iuland Revenue's suggested changes, which are said to have far-reaching implications for the motor industry as well as for managers since about 70 per cent of all new cars sold in Britain are bought by companies.

A restable conveyuous according to

A possible consequence according to the Institute of Sales Management, would be to force heavy users such as sales executives to buy their own cars and charge their employers for business use.

charge their employers for business use.
This could result both in fewer new car
sales and a lower proportion of Britishmade purchases.
Modifications suggested by the Revenue
concentrate on company cars because, if
pensions are excluded, these account for
about 80 per cent of all fringe benefits.
The most contentions of the proposed The most contentious of the proposed changes is the abolition of the £3,500 salary threshold below which benefits

UK's output

A searing attack on Britain's catastrophic performance " in

the international productivity stakes is launched in a *pamph-

let by Mr Graham Hutton, the economist, published today by the Institute of Economic Affairs.

In a revised version of his

recent Wincott Memorial Lec-ture, Mr Hutton blames unions,

Luddism, the growth of the state and spineless management

for Britain's performance, which have resulted in our de-

clining from second place in

1953 to twentieth in the list of the 24 leading industrial

Top of his list of contributors

to our problems are the trade

unions, whom he blames for cutting back profitability and leading to the decline of manu-

facturing industry. Unions, he

says, have been given extraordi-

nary rights to usurp the proper

functions of management. But

he also asserts that managers,

like the public and politicians, have been not merely spineless

but "apathetic, ignorant, com-

placent and cushioned by gov-

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Germany

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record

By David Blake

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escape tax altogether. Other proposals are to raise the scale at which cars are valued for tax purposes to a "realistic level" and to tax any perrol and to provided free by employers for private use at the same rate as cars.

A fourth change proposed is to index-link the value of more expensive cars but to retain the present system of grad-ing cheaper cars by engine size. The Revenue's case for altering the system is that at present it discriminates in favour of taxpayers who have private use of company cars. Those who use

company cars to travel to work, for instance, have a tax advantage over their colleagues. The problem is in making a fair assessment of the benefit and drawing up a system which can easily be adminis-

Companies argue, however, that there have not yet been sufficient cuts in income tax to counterbalance the effects of the proposed changes.

Mr Walter Goldsmith, director-general

of the Institute of Directors, calculates that if the plan was put into effect at once it would cost the man carning £10,000 a year with a company car an extra £114 a year.

There was a quite wide divergence etween various organizations on the detail of the proposals.

Employment and Productivity

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growth, excluding the contribution from North Sea Oil.

gnosis of our past performance Mr Hutton believes we could

solve our problems very easily.

He lists a 10-point programme of curting back the state's role,

including reductions in benefits,

which, he says, could have a

the decline of manufacturing.

He argues that this could end

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* Forecast values for 1879. † Great Britain, employees only. ‡ Based on GDP

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The British Institute of Management after consultation with its own members and those of the affiliated Institution of Industrial Managers, considers that the income threshold should be abolished.

But the Confederation of British Industry says that it should be retained and adjusted to reflect the general increase in salaries because the people affected are likely to be those who use their cars almost entirely for business

The Inland Revenue estimates that of a total of between 1.5 and two million company cars in use at present slightly less than 500,000 are provided for higher-paid executives and directors and at least a million escape tax because they are supplied to people earning less than

A suggestion from the Freight Transport A suggestion from the Freight Transport
Association is for a combination of salary
and milage to be used to distinguish
between cars which are "essential business
tools" and those which are "perks".

Before the 1976 Finance Bill milage was the main method of separating business from private use. But this required individuals to negotiate their own figures with the Revenue and proved difficult to administer.

Engineering company to close

By Ronald Kershaw A Leeds engineering company which has repeatedly told its 260 workforce that action preventing it making a profit would eventually lead to would eventually lead to closure is to close soon. The decision follows a strike of 160

engineering workers started on December 13. The company, Epco. which makes hydraulic jacks for the transport industry, is part of Booker McCoonell. Mr David Oxley, managing director, said the company had offered a pay increase of 16 per cent, made up of 6 per cent on general rates and 10 per cent on an extension of a productivity scheme, which would have given skilled workers a weekly wage of about £111 without

The offer was rejected by the strikers, and on December 31 the company announced i had decided to accept the men's repudiation of their contracts f employment.

Epco has been struggling for tivity? 16th Wincott Memorial a number of years. It was bought by Booker McConnell Lecture, by Graham Hutton. IEA Occasional Paper 56. IEA, in 1976, and a new management was recruited. Substantial losses Lord North Street, London, were made in 1977 and 1978

Importer criticizes Honda-BL deal



Mr Robert Edmiston: Double standards should go.

By Clifford Webb Japanese car importers would be queueing to set up assembly plants in Britain if the Government would drop the double standards it is operating in fav-our of BL, it was claimed yes-

Mr Robert Edmiston, manag-Mr Robert Edmiston, manag-bly here they will be considered ing director of Jensen Subaru part of the quota. (Holdings), one of the newest Japanese importers, told a press BL, I am sure there would be for an assembly operation, and conference in Birmingham: a queue of Japanese importers he would particularly like to outside the office of the Departscript with a small 600cc Subaru

* Eighth successive year of

* Net dividend increased by 97%.

* Capital expenditure exceeds £3m, and healthy order book

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gives good start to 1980.

record growth.

* Pre-tax profits up 21%.

Results for the year ended 30.9.79

Net dividend per ordinary share

Earnings per ordinary share

Net assets per ordinary share

Profit before taxation Profit after taxation

Turnover

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kits a year for assembly in this set up assembly plants. Japanese country. These cars are not part importers are prepared to make of the quota on Japanese further investment and create imports.

In a table included in the pamphlet Mr Hutton shows how

employment and productivity

have fared in recent years. *Whatever Happened to Produc-

"On the other band the United Kingdom." Department of Trade has made it clear to me that if I want to import Subaru cars for assem
12-acre office and heavy indus-

"Given the same facilities as a reported 85,000 Honda car ment of Trade, all wanting to model,

additional employment in the

trial engineering site in West Bromwich for just over £1.25m. The new premises were idea

Britain pays less of gdp

in taxation

By Our Economics Editor Britain came eleventh out of 18 in the world league of industrial countries ranked according to the proportion of gross domestic product going in tax in 1978, according to an article in Economic Trends.

The United Kingdom collec-

The United Kingdom collected a lower proportion of national product than any six out of our eight EEC partners according to the figures. They are based on work done by the Paris-based Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development. velopment.

The figures are contained in an article looking at the wider pattern of taxation in the major industrial countries.

Figures for 1977 prepared on a slightly different basis show that if tax revenues as a pro-portion of national income are considered the United Kingdom came ninth when social security contributions are included. Most international comparisons of tax burdens include social security contributions, which are now collected in much

the same way as income tax everywhere.

Over the period of the 1970s, a time when worries about high taxarion took on a new intensity in the United Kingdom, the total tax burden fell and Britain's place in the world league table dropped from fourth 10 ninth in 1977. Sweden was in top place in 1977, having taken over from Norway.

Most countries recorded a

Most countries recorded a drop in the share of their domestic product going in tax between the years 1977 and 1978, with the United Kingdom's share going down to 35.2 per cent from 36.6 per cent in 1977. In the most taxed country In the most taxed country, Sweden, the level fell from 53.4 per cent in 1977 to 53.1 per cent in 1978.

		ENUES AS A % OF GDP		
	1977	1978	Change	
Sweden	53.4	53.1	-0.3	
Normar	47.5	47 3	-92	
Netherlands	46 3	46.7		
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Denmark	42 0	43.2	- 1.2	
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Republic	38.2	33.0	-0.2	
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Canada	32.0	32.3	÷0.3	
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United States	30.3	30.4	+0.1	

Sir, Your Business Diarist comments (December 21) on the problems that Charles Williams, "erstwhile chairman of the now-dying Price Commission", and Sir Leslie Murphy of the NEB have faced as "mublic sector recruits" in as "public sector recruits", in getting back into the private sector. Nor are they alone. Similar problems were faced in 1970 by the then chairman of the old NBPI.

It is, of course, mere coincidence that prominent members of public bodies seem to meet such "problems" only when those bodies have been created by a Labour Govern-ment. It would therefore be naughtily cypical to suspect a

conspiracy.
Your Diarist was admirably bland in declining to ask who

From Mr Alex Harrison Sir, I notice that the Department of Employment suggests that there will be little job loss as a result of the increasing use of silicon chips. How it can come to such a

conclusion is beyond me. I have been one of the pioneers in the introduction of mini-computers in the small accountancy prac-tice. Since 1972 I have seen my work force reduced from fourteen to two men and a girl. These not only do my own work but part of another prac-

The great thing, however, is that by using computers much of the work which I am now doing is only necessary because other practices and organisa-tions are not computerised. For

The proposed legislation of course, does no such thing, and it is most important that this fact should be widely known: The Employment Bill before Parliament at the present time

surveillance scheme ful nor saved jobs in the textile Sir. You state that the abolition of the Import Licence Surveillance scheme (December 22) on lance scheme (December 22) on January 1 will cause dismay to the British Textile Federation and will displease the TUC, as it poses a further threat to jobs in the textile industry.

Abolition of import licence

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

accurate information on levels of imports. In any case, even without this scheme, accurate information has always been available on imports from the HM Customs computer at Southend which programmes all goods imported to and exported from the to and exported from the United Kingdom by Tariff Heading number groups.

surveillance licences have been freely available on request. As it did not stop imports, but only registered intended import are the Department of Trade quantities, it was neither use

of Kent. At first sight, it might appear subjective and not re-

levant to other small industries-

professions. Yet looking at my case notes I see facts which are logically probative of the main

conclusions drawn by Miss Tis-

follows. First, the full "Report, Legal Educational Survey 1978:

The Edmund Plowden Trust" is available from the legal

bookshops and Dillons at Can-terbury University at £1.50. Secondly, the main rationale of

the article must surely be the

urgent need to decrease the

number of unemployed school

leavers; for there is, only too often, a mis-match situation.

For example, if P, a school leaver applies for a post with firms X and Y and Z and is correctly told that there are only vacancies for trained per-

sonnel, he may feel despondent. Yet a careful analysis of all the

firms within a defined area could reveal both a quantifiable

number of "training only" places and an overall demand for skilled workers within other.

It is sensible to suggest the

use of appropriate courses in

local educational institutions.

Equally, the economic pincers

are tightening on low attend-

operate to meet a minimum

attendance criterion. If they

fail to act now, then these facilities will not be available

May I briefly comment as

Training for industry

From the Director, the British Woodworking Federation
Sir, A great deal of good sense was spoken in the debate in the House of Lords on December 19 stressing the importance of training for skills. Perhaps, one of the addi-tional reasons for our industrial In 1978 I carried out a in 1978 1 carried out a similar survey, but within a uniindustrial or professional base. This was an in-depth and unique survey of the training and role decline has been the failure to appreciate fully that invest-ment in long-term training for skills and expertise is as vitally of non-admitted staff within legal practices in the County important as investment in

There appears to be some misunderstanding regarding the purpose of this scheme which was introduced in 1975. This was to monitor the intended

import volume of importers and

Over the years training pro-grammes have been weakened by both the decline in the recognition of a proper status for skills and also the discuption of iong-term training programmes due to abrupt fluctuations in our economic and industrial

Despite many excellent training schemes in operation in industry and commerce, the country has yet to achieve a sus-tained training programme wholly adequate and adaptable for its changing needs and one which overcomes the structural and cyclical changes that his confidence in training so hard. Paradoxically, it is important to step up training in lean times to meet the upturn several months ahead.

The Government would therefore be wise to re-examine their policies towards the training for skills in industry so as to ensure that the maximum incentive is given in the training and educational fields to encourage training pro-grammes, which are inevitably very costly to firms undertak-

ing them.

A fresh imperus to the longterm training programme would make a real contribution to conquering inflation in the future. It would also increase our competitiveness with other major industrial countries and raise our national morale. PETER SHAPCOT1.

Director, British Woodworking Federation 82 New Cavendish Street. London, W1M 8AD. December 21.

From Mr J. N. Horne
Sir, The article, "Employers 1, Verulam Buildings experiment in sharing services" Gray's Inn, (December 10, 1979) by Patricia London, WC1R 5LQ.

Public sector's recruits was responsible for this curious state of affairs. The responsi-From Mr R. G. Opic

upon later demand.

J. N. HORNE. 1. Verulam Buildings,

Yours faithfully,

state of artairs. The responsi-bility lies clearly with the top managers of the private sector, and more pointedly with those of the City, both possibly en-couraged by the CBI. In their retributive pettiness, they are as well predict-ably silly. Whichever govern-ment is in office in future, in-

terventionism is clearly here to stay. Do the City and the .CBI really want no senior representatives at all on future interventionist bodies? Will they be emirely happy to face bodies composed solely of trade union representatives and academics?

Yours faithfully, ROGER OPIE, New College, Oxford OX1 3BN.

Effect of the 'chip' in accountancy

purposes is only necessary be-cause Tax Inspectors and my clients have not the necessary equipment to read the informa-tion which I hold on floppy disk. tion which I hold on floppy disk.
Into the bargain the accountancy and taxation programmes
are stored on the same disk
and there is no reason why in a
short time the link client/
accountant/Tax Inspector cannot be reduced to client/Tax
Inspector. Inspector.

In my opinion at least one profession is being soothed by such talk as the micro-chip will not affect jobs into complacency and may at the moment be training 30,000 young people who may find that they have no work for their skills.

Yours truly, ALEX HARRISON, 11 Kingsway House, King Street, Bedworth,

ful nor saved jobs in the textue industry. Furthermore, in the words of the Department of about by the need for importers to keep experienced staff accurate information on levels of imports.

In any case, even without this or home. accurate information of information agents completing these forms. As shipping agents and many agents and many agents and many agents and also compared to the cost on the in the export business, this added expense was a masked overhead expense on those com-

panies' exports.

D. G. FRANKLIN, Director,
David Franklin Limited,
Lerpiniere House,
121 Kennington Road, Lundon SE11 6SQ. December 22.

Finniston

Tisdall is not good; it is superlative. The only caveat could be that its value and importance might go unnoticed in the vast swell of paper which hurls relentlessly against management.

Report on engineers

From the Secretary attain of Civil Engineers From the Secretary, the Insti-From the Secretary, the Insti-tution of Civil Engineers
Sir, 1980 will be the year of the engineer. The Finniston Re-port, the implications of which its authors believe will enhance the status of engineers, will be published on January 9.

The Department of Industry, who it appears take over respon-

who it appears take over respon-sibility for all engineering, indicated at a meeting presided over by Mr Jack Leeming on Wed-nesday, December 19, 1979, that they wanted responses from the profession by the end of Feb-ruary, 1980. The reason given for requiring this electric year. for requiring this electric reac-tion is that the Secretary of State is to issue a statement on behalf of the Government in

the late spring, thus making it possible for legislation to be introduced in October, 1980.

There seems, however, one small obstacle to the smooth setting up of this new statutory bads and the initial cost. The body and that is its cost. The Finniston Committee put it at many millions of pounds. Sir Monty himself said at a lunch with the CBI earlier this week and again at the Parliamentary and Scientific Committee meeting on Tuesday, December 18, that the Government cannot be expected to foot the bill, indus-

ry must do so.

For the past 160 years the construction industry has, by voluntary effort, produced and supported the highest quality all-round professional engineer, recognized, admired and sought after throughout the world. It continues to do so, despite the reduced income resulting from substantial cuts in construction with which it has had to contend and which it has taken on the chin in support of a healthy ance courses. Under these con- Britain. Is it now to be legally divines small firms must co- compelled to meet the enormous costs of the Findiston proposals in order to achieve a standard less demanding than that already required Yours faithfully, ROBERT CAMPBELL,

Secretary, The Institution of Civil Great George Street, Westminster SW1P 3AA, December 21.

for old properties

From Mr Paul Paget Sir, I cannot be alone in finding it increasingly difficult to keep up with the premiums on index-linked policies under which it is left to the insurers to stipulate what should be the appropriate cover.

This bears most harshly on the owners of antiquated pro-percies which no one in his senses would think of replacing to obsolete standards of capacity and construction in the event of total loss, but to which compensation for partial damage is denied unless such premises are fully insured for their estimated present-day value plus VAT and architect's

I question why the owners of such property should not be allowed to take the risk of insuring for a lesser sum which, in their opinion if not the insurers, would attract by way of compensation, an acceptable contribution towards the cost of repair or economical replacement.

placement.

Surely, in the present economic situation, the so called "average clause" by which the insurance companies' policies were governed in easier times, is no longer equitable and should be generally abandoned as has already been recognized in favour of some of our ancient churches where the funds are simply not available to pay for ever escalating premiums. escalating premiums. Yours faithfully, PAUL PAGET,

Templewood, Northrepps, Nr Cromer, Norfolk NR27 OLJ.

also the article in your newspaper of November 26, by a senior legal officer at Nalgo, Director, The Contra who pointed out that the failure Plant Association, to secure an 80 per cent vote 28 Ecclesion Street, in favour attracted no penalty London SWIW 9PY

Employment Bill and the closed shop

merely provides that someone and would not be an effective dismissed subsequently, because, detection to any determined of their position in relation to trade union.

Times (December 20) about the CBI council meeting of the previous day and the discussion there on "closed shops" (union membership agreements) in general and on the Government's Employment Bill in particular (at which I was present).

Your report states that "... much of the earlier (CBI) policy has been incorporated in the Employment Bill, which proposes, for instance, that closed shops should be introduced with a most trade union. This excessively unidest provides the cuttern which any effective restreant whatso the introduction of general conduction of sensition will not of course, be implementation of general conduction of sensition and interest that at least 80 per cent of employees are in favour."

The proposed legislation of course, does no such thing, and it is most immortant that this senior legal officer at Nego, Director. The Contractors" R. C. SANSOM, Director, The Contractors

BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

International markets continue turbulent

Yesterday evening's glimmer of light in the steel dispute was enough to send the bears scurrying for cover in domestic financial markets. The FT Ordinary Share Index, which briefly dipped below 400 in mid-morning, rallied to close the day only 0.1 adrift at 406.9, while gilts reversed early losses to finish the day up to 25p higher.

Whether or not there will in fact be an early resumption of steel negotiations remains to be seen, but even if there were to be a quick return to the negotiating table and a rapid resolution of the dispute, markets would pay careful regard to the cost of the settlement.

Meanwhile, international financial markets continued on their turbulent journey. As noticeable yesterday as the fresh surge in the gold price was the performance of the dollar vis-a-vis the Deutschemark, with the United States currency briefly dipping below the psychologically important Dm1.70 level before recovering on official support. Gold and silver were more volatile than ever. As intriguing as how much higher the gold price could yet go is the issue of the level at which the price is likely to stabilize once the present mayhem subsides and the speculators have cashed in their

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Special cases only

Meanwhile, the rights issue market remains in limbo. The queue, where it was so difficult to find a place a couple of years ago, no longer exists and nothing suggests it will be reformed until later this year at the

Pilkington's experience, its first in the rights market, underlines all this. The glassmaker seemed to be tempting providence when it stepped in with its £60m offer early in December and the outcome this week shows that it was a narrow scrape with shareholders taking up 73.6 per cent. The remainder, thanks to a neat operation by Pilkington's issuing house, Schroder Wagg, was placed in the market on Wed-



nesday afternoon at a 1p premium over the 200p issue price at which Pilkington offers a 71 per cent yield.

All of which was much more satisfactory than Schroders' last big rights issue for Thomas Tilling last summer when some 75 per cent was left with underwriters, an event which at the time seemed effectively to mark the last significant shot in the rights issue market which had extended over three

The argument for going ahead with Pilkington in December in spite of the poor omens was that it was a major Blue Chip company (moreover one that has an undoubted technological lead in its industry) which needed to strengthen its balance sheet in front of a £120m bid for BSN-Gervais-Danone's non-French glass interests.

A special case, perhaps, even allowing for the inactivity of the rights market, and Schroders judged—more or less correctly as it now turns out-that the issue would succeed. Not that there was much alternative, apart possibly from bank borrowing which is at least allowable for tax. The corporate fixed interest market remains

dead-anyone, even with the credentials of Pilkington, would probably have to pay between 15-16 per cent for 10-year money, and that just isn't on at this stage.

Mining shares

As the gold price soars ...

Gold shares are behaving more cautiously than the bullion price. While gold leapt up by 124 per cent in 1979 fuelled by heavy speculation, the gold mines index advanced by about 80 per cent during the year. The outcome is that yields are now exceptionally high, with 30 per cent no longer rare.

The reason why gold mining stocks are lagging behind the price of the metal even after yesterday's leap in mining shares stems from the fact that whereas gold profits are made on the metal's marginal spot price, what counts for gold mines is the average price over an accounting period. Thus, current high yields suggest that few actual or potential holders of gold mining shares expect the average gold price for 1980 to be anywhere near its present spot level.

It does not follow, though, that gold shares are a poor bet. Rather, it means that investors find predicting an average gold price difficult, and that they are therefore careful about how to rate the shares. Nevertheless, barring a huge slump in the gold price, consistently high dividends from the mines are likely in 1980.

The question for investors is whether to go directly into individual mines or go through mining houses. Superficially, the abolition of exchange controls has made direct investment in foreign mines more attractive, but mining houses are currently trading at significant discounts to assets, which in the case of major houses can be between 30 and 50 per cent.

Moreover, the enormous cost of developing new mines and the increasing interest being shown by oil companies in mining offers the possibility of extensive reorganization, takeovers and mergers in the sector. The way to invest in gold now is through mining houses with good quality gold mines and a hedge in the form of other mines and industrial interests.

Consolidated Gold Fields, one of the stock marker's more exciting shares at the moment, is an obvious example. The new Union Corporation-General Mining tie-up also looks promising.

Fodens

Borrowings are rising

There is a sense of deja-vue in Fodens revelation that it came close to the brink of disaster during last year's engineers strike. It is less than four years since City institutions bailed out the truck specialist

with a £3.2m placing of convertible shares. Just 12 months after the last of these shares were converted Fodens reveals a loss of £1.73m in the interim period following a previous full-year loss of £562,000. Borrow ings, which stood at £12m at the year-end dwarfing shareholders funds of £10.8m, have continued to grow.

Nevertheless, the shares held their ground at 35p yesterday and have speculative attractions, whatever the outcome of Fodens' current bid to grab United Kingdom market share through its new S10 range of trucks.

Fodens is now making profits, though nothing like enough to offset the first half losses, and order books are healthy, while a steel strike of perhaps up to 6 weeks could withstood. Even so, having fought off a bid from Rolls-Royce Motors in 1977, Fodens again looks like a sitting duck for a takeover bidder. Without that, a continuing liquidity problem is going to constrain

Technology

Hard decisions for the software men Among the National Enterprise tems Designers (SDL) and Board's investments in ad-technology its three advanced technology nature of

vanced technology its three "green field" electronics and computing ventures-brand new operations set up from scratch -continue to attract con-

In the second of two articles on the 1949

devaluation Peter Hennessy and Malcolm

Brown describe the heated arguments which

took place between the Chancellor and the Foreign Secretary at the British Embassy in

Washington.

Cripps and the

search for

a whiter loaf

The story of the 1949 de- would prove advantageous and

valuation still has some secrets he doubted whether any con-

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troversy. Inmos, the microcircuit company which is developing microcomputer and memory circuits, is under fire for its choice of Bristol (and not an assisted area) for its first United Kingdom factory. Nexos, the office automation company, has yet to establish credibility in the marketplace,
The third new company,

Insuc, is rather different, a collaborative effort between existing companies. It is unique in its organization and it conducts its business in the exotic world computer software, which brings its own problems.

Insac is Britain's major pub-ic sector software organization. As a National Enterprise Board subsidiary it is subject to the present Government's new NEB guidelines which require the board to dispose of its share-

as soon as is practicable.

The NEB holds shares in each of the Insac member companies —Computer Analysts & Programmers (CAP), Systems Programming (SPL), Systime, Systems

left to yield. Treasury files for the crucial last two weeks in

July, when the ministers left in charge in the absence of Sir Stafford Cripps, the Chancellor

of the Exchequer, finally came over to the devaluationist camp,

were not among those released to the public under the 30-year

rule on Wednesday.

Possibly historians will have
to wait for the memoirs of Mr

Douglas Jay to discover how, as

Economic Secretary to the Treasury, he persuaded first Mr Hugh Gaitskell, the Minister

of Fuel and Power, then Mr (now Sir) Harold Wilson, Presi-dent of the Board of Trade,

and later, in a common effort with the others, the Prime Minister, Mr Attlee, that devalu-

At the end of July Mr Jay

drafted a letter to Cripps at his sanatorium in Zurich explaining

the Government's latest pos-

tion on devaluation. Mr Gaitskell approved its contents;

the Prime Minister signed the letter at Chequers and it was conveyed to Cripps in Switzerland. Mr Edward Playfair (later Sir Edward), a Treasury

official, now began to plan the detailed implementation of

"Operation Rose", the secret code-name for the 1949 devalua-

The full Cabinet-including

Cripps, who had returned from Zurich on August 18 apparently restored to health—met on

ation was inevitable.

Kenneth Owen

their business and their role in Insac strategy the disposal of the NEB shares in these companies is likely to be delayed.

The architect of Insac was Mr John Pearce, a former manag-ing director of the Hoskyns software consultancy, who became the first managing director of Insac in June, 1977. The idea was that Insac would sponsor of the type pioneered in the the development and overseas British Post Office's Prestel exploitation of software products written by the member companies.

The chief executives of the

member companies came together as members of the Insac board. Two problems became apparent — potential conflicts between the interests of their companies and of Insac and the personality clashes that are inevitable when independently successful emrepreneurs (and Mr Pearce is at least as emrepreneurial as the rest) have team participation thrust upon them.

These factors contributed to the slow rate at which mem-bers' software projects were cudorsed for Insac exploitation. Another factor was that the Insac scrutiny of members' pro-posals was particularly thorough and the importance of good

siderable benefits would accrue

by way of increased dollar

receipts. The minutes record Cripps as adding:
"An atmosphere bad, however, been created in this country, in the United States, and in other countries in which the pound could not reach stability without devaluation."

The Cabinet agreed that "if

satisfactory understandings

could be reached with the

United States Government, it would be in the interests of this

country to devalue the pound". Before the Cabinet reached

its decision, Mr Robert Hall (now Lord Rosenthall), Direc-tor of the Economic Sec-tion of the Cabiner Office, and

the earliest advocate of devalua-

tion inside Whitehall, had already left by air to prepare for the long-arranged Anglo-American ministerial talks in Washington.

Anxiety

Secretary, Mr Ernest Bevin, left for New York on board the Maurerania after the Cabinet

meeting. Mr Hall remained in

a state of anxiety until the ship arrived, not knowing if devalua-

tion had finally been agreed in

The voyage of Cripps and Bevin had its bizarre moments.

Lord Armstrong, then Mr Wil-

Cripps, and the Foreign

market research was stressed.

Insac's software products in general may have been slow to take off, but Mr Pearce lost no time in opening up a new mar-ket opportunity. This concerned viewdata—linked television / telephone information systems

Insac negotiated an exclusive United States licence to Prestel; set up an international viewdata centre at SDL premises in Frimley, Surrey; signed an agreement with Gen-eral Telephone and Electronics Corporation (GTE) for the joint exploitation of viewdata services in the United States; and installed the first privately owned viewdata system in The Nether-

By the middle of 1979 insac's initial five-year plan had been changed to reflect the realities of the business as it had devehad emerged—one to provide finance for member companies via the so-called "product bank" (the original insac objective) and one to market a range

malized with the restructuring of Insac into two companies, Insac Products and Insac Viewdata. Mr John Pearce became managing director of the viewdata company and Mr Neil Pearce, previously lnsac direc-tor of operations, became managing director of Insac

Products. Recent doubts (reported in The Times of December 29, 1979) concern the future of the products company. Mr Len Taylor of Logica resigned from the Insac board; further resigna-tions are believed to be imminent; and criticisms of Insac have been made by senior executives of certain member

companies.
For CAP, Systime and SDL the Insac relationship has been a satisfying one. Insac has fin-anced the entry of CAP and SDL into the United States software market and has prorided product development sup-

port for Systime. SPL and Logica are less content SPL has received Insac support for development of the RTL/2 programming language and for a range of graphics soft-ware, but is believed to be seeking a reduction in the NEB holding. Logica is the most recent Insac recruit and has yet to gain an Insac contract (and

Last November this was for- Insac is only of peripheral interest to Logica, which is more firmly attached to the NEB's Nexos project).

For Mr Neil Pearce of Insac Products, the challenge now is to prove that the original lusac. concept can be made to work. Insac can recoup its investments and show a profit; in the mean-time he aims to acquire American companies and so obtain a marketing force to sell Insac members' products in the

United States. One lesson has been learntthat the managing director of a member company is not necessarily the best person to represent the company on the Insac board. Apart from the problems mentioned earlier, the sheet load of Insac work is heavy. Mr Alex d'Agapeyeff, head of CAP. has already handed over his Insac role to a colleague; Mr Taylor has resigned; and other chief executives may follow suit.

But Insac and the NEB still believe that the underlying logic that led to the formation of Insac remains valid. British software is of high quality; it is relatively cheap; it should be used to develop new products and these products should



Mr John Snyder, United States Secretary to the Treasury (left) and Sir Stafford Cripps listen to Mr Ernest Bevin making a point just before the Anglo-American talks in Washington.

"It looked absolutely appalling", he said.
When the party reached

Washington, the Americans and Canadians were told of the Cabinet's decision at a meeting with no officials present. Bevin new sterling parity. Late at night on September 7, British officials discussed the degree

of devaluation. Mr Hall and Sir Edwin (now rate to be as low as possible to avoid the pound being forced into further devaluations.

The crucial meeting took place on September 12 in Mr Bevin's suite in the British Embassy. High policy deferred at this point to the effect of devaluation on the family loaf:

Lord Plowden, who was present, recalls: Ermie was in his dressing gown. He hadn't been well. He was taking pills for his heart. A great man. The time came when

great man. The time came when we had to settle the rate. We had two alternatives, \$3.00 and \$2.80. We had assembled in Ernie's sitting room at the Embassy, myself, Robert Hall and Oliver Franks (Bridsh Ambassador to Washington). Ernie's roots were in a time when bread was the steps of restored to health—met on August 29 to be told of the decision. Mr Artilee opened the meeting by saying, in the language of the minutes:

"Opinion had hardened in favour of devaluation, although it was realized that this would not in itself provide a solution of the long-term problem. He recommended that the Foreign Secretary and Chancellor of the Exchequer should be authorized for discuss devaluation at Washington and to form a view, on the amount and the timing of this measure."

The still sceptical Cropps said it was impossible to show larmstrong, then Mr William Armstrong, who had been appointed Cripps' private secretary in August, recalls that the first thing the Chancellor did when he boarded the ship would have to circumnavigate the liner to complete his daily three-mile run.

The passage was rough in parts. Cripps insisted on Armstrong of this measure."

The still sceptical Cripps said it was impossible to show almost emptying as waves liam Armstrong, who had been appointed Cripps' private secretary in August, recalls that the first thing the Chancellor did when he boarded the ship Ernie's roots were in a time when bread was the staff of life. Ernie said what would \$2.80 do to the price of a loaf. I said it would raise it from 4½d to 5½d. Ernie said 'That's all right'. If he had said \$3.00 it would have been \$3.00."

Lord Armstrong remembers that bread had been Bevin's obsession for some days:

that bread had been Revin's obsession for some days:

"Ernie's main concern about the whole devaluation was ... what it would do to the price of food. It obviously was going to put it up ... and, in particular, bread. This sounds very antiquated now. But it was very much in his mind. He believed almost that the Government would stand or fall by whether the British working man got his

have been expected after the breakdown of the attempts to

achieve a unified structure at

the meeting of the Organiza-tion of Petroleum Exporting

Countries in Caracas, Vene-zuela, a fortnight ago. With most Opec countries

having either announced an

increase in crude prices for 1980, or at least having indicated to customers the likely

level, it is possible to discern

of S26; and, at the bottom, Saudi Arabia, stubbornly re-

fusing to raise its prices above

To call this three-tier system

three distinct tiers,

' iam butties ' and what he had to pay for them."
Then Bevin had an idea:
"He suddenly said be felt the

"He suddenly said be felt the British working man would accept an increase in the price of bread if he could have a whiter loaf. We had this national flour and . . . it was a sort of dirty brown colour and he reckoned that if we raised the extraction rate and produced

the extraction rate and produced a whiter loaf people would accept that they had to pay more for that. He got into a terrible argument with Stafford about all this, because Stafford was prepared to agree that the price of bread was an important matter but he thought Ernie's gimmick for getting over it was absolutely dreadful, because he didn't believe in white bread ... he believed in brown

bread. . he believed in brown bread, being . . a bit of a food fad. And the idea of selling the British public an inferior product that would do them hazm, and, at the same time charging them more for

Telegram

The Treasury's obsession was not bread but fruit and vegetables. The new rate was reported to London in a ciphered telegram on September 12 using a horticultural word code. The Treasury replied on September 15 in a similar idiom. Memories are unsure among the survivors, but the concensus is that "Orange" meant \$2.80 and "Cabbage" referred to gold, while "Malachi" was the Bank of England. The message read:

or England. The message read:

"Rose.
Following are figures which are also being cabled by Malachi using special word code:

(a) Cabbage content equals 10 scarlets plus three oranges. Figure consists of two digits followed by four zeros.

(b) Orange.

(c) One hundred blues is mus-tard and zero cress per chicory." The Chancellor returned to

Britain by air and devaluation was finally announced in London on Sunday, September 18. Preparation had been made in the previous few days to tell the International Monetary the International Monetary Fund—just 24 hours before the

That Sunday was to be a day -of great public drama for Cripps. But, before he broadcast to the nation, there was a moment of private drama-inside Number 11 Downing Street.

Lord Armstrong recalls that when Mr Winston Churchill, the leader of the Opposition, was closeted with the Chancellor for a briefing on the Govern-ment's intentions, the Conservatime, charging them more for tive leader orone connicts, he regarded as little short wept, saying to Cripps: "I just hope to God that if I had been hope to God that in the position you are in I would have been strong enough to do what you have done

Cripps felt betrayed when Churchill subsequently savaged him in public for his actions. In his broadcast on September 18 Cripps ended with the words:

words:

"It gives us a convincing hope that with our own efforts, thus made effective, we shall finally emerge out of our postwar difficulties. We thus start upon another stage in the magnificent struggle of our people to overcome the crushing difficulties imposed upon them by their sacrifices in the world war. We have so far splendidly succeeded. If we falter we shall be in a position of great danger."

As Lord Plowden said, when examining one of the newly re-

examining one of the newly re-leased Cabiner memoranda, "Ir might be written today. Plus ça change. . . Awful".

Nicholas Hirst on the post-Cara cas free-for-all Business Diary: Waving the flag for gold World oil prices are falling into an even more confused pattern than could reasonably

London.

The term "morning fix" has taken on a new meaning in the last few days with the surge in the gold price and the near-doubling of the value of silver.

In common with countless other city rituals, the fixing has other city rituals, the fixing has other city rituals, the fixing has fallowed traditional patterns form the dealing rooms match up with supply. At this point the dealing rooms match up with supply. At this point the fixing more as a quiet and sedate affair.

"Although we're in constant touch with our dealing rooms to by telephone and telex to hear a price has been what sort of demand picture is building up, it's nothing like the floor of the Stock Exchange", he says. fixing takes place in a drawing room-like atmosphere at N. M. Rothschild & Sons. With the Rothschild of logic that one expects from the Ciry, the daily events is at present chaired by a Swiss, Albert Keller. He is four colleagues

70 minutes it 100k to 1110 year from being a record. Keller trecalled that one day in October 1288 year, when the metal ber last year, when the metal flanked by four colleagues from the other bullion houses, Mocatta & Goldsmid, Sharps minutes
Pixley, Johnson Matthey From t

through again at 3.00 pm.
Contrary to some reports, the
70 minutes it took to find yesstood at a mere \$430 an ounce, the fixing took an hour and 39

From the outside it looks like (Bankers) and Montagu & an exciting business, but some-



While the gold price has still to be fixed, the flag before Alan with t Saker (above) of Sharps Pixley, remains upright. Yesterday it flew for 99 minutes at N. M. Rothschild's before being the the transfer of the property of the price of t

The term "morning fix" has Co. All have small Union Jacks times it can take as little as under its umbrella "to see that three minutes. Keller, the instance on their desks.

The operation starts at 10.30 sider, sees the fixing more as through your country to Great

change", he says. Silver price fixing, although

like gold in almost every other way, is a closed activity, with the men from Samuel Montagu, Mocatza & Goldsmid and Sharps Pixley closeted in a room once a day at Samuel Montagu's. Business starts at 12.15 pm. "As we hold the fixing in

camera, there is no intervention from the dealers and we go on with our order books at the ready, as it were", explained Doug Bull of Samuel Montagu. Silver fixing was formerly the traditional preserve of Mocatta's but moved offices a The television rental comfew years ago.

● When Harold Lewis gets in touch with all his colleagues in the transport business it involves more than just picking up the nearest telephone. During the last 48 hours, for example, he has been sending strongly worded circulars written in five different languages to 320 organizations representing five million people in—at the latest count—82 countries.

Lewis, an Englishman through and through, is the general secretary of the International Transport Workers' Federation which has sprung to prominence with the start of the steel

strike. ing at the next stage in the The federation has asked all game to turn the nation's living transport organizations ing rooms into an electronic

through your country to Great Britain until further notice."

it was impossible to show arithmetically that devaluation

The federation has been going from strength to strength when a dozen unde unions from a handful of countries, including Russia, set it up. "It was actually founded to prevent blacklegging during strikes," Lewis said. Its main job now is to pro-

vide the machinery for transport unions to work out their international policy. It has an executive board of 24, on which the British members are Sidney Weighell, general secretary of the National Union of Railwaymen, and Jack Jones, former leader of the Transport and General Workers. The board meets twice a year in different parts of the world,

panies are delighted with their 70 per cent share of the new video recorder market. Video recorder business in December was pretty buoyant, with the market penetration—for sales and rentals-at about 200,000. Bryan Quilter, Granada TV Rental's managing director and chairman of the National Television Rental Association, reckons video recorders will double their overall penetration of the United Kingdom market this year and again next year.

Like others in the trade,
Granada saw a pre-Christmas
rush on blank tapes as customers prepared for a recording

spree during the holidays.

The renters are already look-

power-house -- home com-Quilter believes that the front room computer could soon cost

almost emptying as waves sloshed around the swimming

about the price of a colour tele-vision set. In the United States they are already selling into homes at about the same rate as video recorders.

Before the home computer market gets properly estab-lished in Britain, Quilter sees pre-recorded discs for video recorders and video cameras for home movies taking a hold of the family's imaginations and

The North African producers, Algeria, Nigeria and Libya are leading the pack with prices of up to \$35 a barrel (a barrel is 35 gallons); pockets.

The rental companies agree that discs are more likely to be bought than rented but the beneath them are Kuwait, Iraq, the United Arab Emirates, Qatar, Venezuela and In-donesia, pricing their crude around a notional benchmark higher costing video cameras might offer the renters an opportunity to expand their hold on the market.

The march of electronics into the home could hold some rich pickings for the renters-not unwelcome since there are signs of a switch to outright buying of television sets as reliability has improved.

\$24 a barrel immediately be-According to the Department fore the Caracas meeting, Saudi Arabia had hoped to of Employment Gazette, academics at Nottingham Univereliminate the disorder in world markets which had resulted sity's Department of Psychology have been using a simulated from shortages created by the button-sorting line to study the cutback in exports from Iran.
It failed because neither effects of exposure to repetitive work. Among the things they Libya nor Iran were prepared discovered was that a worker's "level of arousal"—that is the to fix their prices close enough to Saudi Arabia's \$24 for the difference to be ascribed to extent to which we dil feel alert, avake and active—"de-creases across the working day reasons of quality or cheaper freight costs. Iran remains a as a function of length maverick, not part of any of the three price bands which exposure to the work · an astonishing discovery frankly have emerged. The North African position sends me to z z z z . . .

How much for a barrel of oil?

higher quality than Iran's. Iran yesterday tied up a nine-month deal with British Petroleum for 125,000 barrels a day at \$30 a barrel, a similar price to that agreed with Japanese buyers, but it was reported that spot cargo of 160,000 tonnes at \$38 to \$39 a barrel failed to find any takers.
Nigeria and Libya, particu-

larly, have the advantage of a captive American market. Nigeria is the United States second and Libva its third largest external oil source and as long as supplies remain tight, a "structure" would be to misuse the word. With its 33 prices of up to \$35 are likely to be obtainable. Nevertheless per cent increase in prices to it has come as something of a surprise that the North Africans have felt able to push their prices higher than the \$30 figure with which Libya scotched any chance of unity

at Caracas. A market in which producers of roughly a fifth of Opec exports (the North Africans) charge 40 per cent more for their oil than Saudi Arabia, which produces a third of the Open total, is clearly very unbalanced.

The effect of Caracas has been not to narrow differen-tials, but to widen them. The Dennis Topping

The North African position result has been that price to le to make hay while the sun lowers, such as the North Sea producers, have been unable to

to what the "market" level of its oil, which is of a similar quality to the North African producers, should be. In effect, international oil pricing resembles nothing so

much as a stock market towards the end of a "bull phase" when by expectations not justified by events in the real world. The fact is that oil stocks are at or near record levels, that the world is likely to move into a recession which will cut demand, and that unless there is a complete breakdown in tran production cuts by the Opec nations are unlikely even to balance an increase in production from other sources.

All the evidence suggests that the evaluation of Shaikh Ahmed Zaki Yamani, the Sandi Arabian oil minister, that a small glut of oil supplies is on its way, is the right one.

But the glut is not here yet. Mexico has raised its price to \$32 from \$24,50 but has left itself the flexibility to put it up again at a moment's notice because of the uncertainty of the market. And the British National Oil Corporation is likely to follow the new North African idea of building a " surcharge" into its price,

There can be little doubt that

for a time the very fact that countries are demanding such widely differing prices for their oil, is in itself, a destabilizing effect on the market. It is this uncertainty which is allowing the North Africans to push the price to its limits and which, at the same time, is steeling the determination of the Saudi Arabians to charge a price which it believes, in the slightly longer term, the market can

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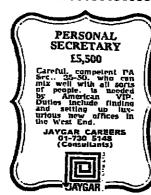
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Stock markets

Late rally on hopes of steel peace

while the steel strike and probe easier at 406.9. lems overseas would only allow the remainder of the market to

look on in awe. The latest surge in goldshares began as soon as deal- El into gains of about El.
ings resumed in London yester- This was borne out. day and followed on from over- among night levels in New York where the bullion price reached \$579 and Hongkong where it touched \$650.

Trading elsewhere was mainly thin throughout most of the as equities continued to drift lower as a result of the steel strike which was beginning to make its presence felt.

There is a growing interest in Henry Wigfall, the television renting concern, once bid for unsuccessfully by Comet Radio-On that occasion the unity of the controlling share-Speculators are now telling any-one who will listen that this unity can no longer be relied on. The share are 208p.

Gilt-edged were another weak

sector where falls of about a £4 were reported throughout the list. Once again, dealers were taking the view that the Middle East, Afghanistan and the strike had effectively postponed falls until a March budget. There were also fears that the Covernment borrowing requires Government borrowing require-ment will be larger than the authorities had gone for, thanks-to layoffs and falls in company tax receipts.

However, the announcement

resumed talks with BSC changed all that. After falling below the 400

mark during the morning, its shown on a gross basis. To establish gross multiply the net dividend by 1.428. Profits are shown pre-tax and low point for the day, improving earnings are net. a = loss.

among gold shares, where the Gold Mines Index leapt 14.6 to 303.1. But profit-taking towards the close and the decline in the price of bullion on the resump-tion of dealing on the New York market saw most finish

Libanon \$1 to \$17}. In the Lon-

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Gold shares continued to to 5.1 down at 3 pm, the FT don Financials, Cons Gold im- rise in Australian shares come dominate proceedings yesterday, Index went on to close 0.1 proved 21p to 419p, after 420p, to a grinding halt. Ashton Mindon Financials, Cons Gold improved 21p to 419p, after 420p, RTZ 12p to 355p.

Profit-taking, however, saw Tanks slide 6p to 266p and Selection Trust 3p to 601p. The Supports surrounding solds.

Equities gave a firmer appearance at the close, while in gilts, longs turned falls of £1 into a rise and shorts turned losses of

This was borne out, too, among leading industrials where some earlier heavy falls had been either cancelled out or turned into only small net losses. ICI managed to turn in a net rise of 1p on the day to 355p, while those unchanged included Glaxo at 435p (in spite of vague rights issue rumours), Unilever at 452p, Beecham at 115p and Pilkington Bros at The leap in the bullion price on London markets, up \$62.5 at \$630, saw further activity

York market saw most finish off the top.

Among the majors, Vaal Reefs climbed \$1½ to \$67½. Anglo American Gold leapt \$17.25 to \$100 and West Driefontein advanced \$1½ to \$74. Elsewhere, Barlow Rand imped 30p to 365p, Venterspost edged ahead 99c to \$10.62, Leslie 30 ceuts to 330 cents and Libanon \$1 to \$173. In the Lon-

SC102 and United Keno finished SC1 higher at SC442 gains). Active stocks yesterday, according to the Exchange Telegraph were, Northern Kallnternational Nickel SC2 lower at SC272.

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Activity in Vosper is not based

entirely on calculations or hopes

that compensation, when it eventually appears, will equal the group's market value. Most of the group's interests are now

in Singapore, well away from

United Kingdom engineering troubles, and there has been a

big buver operating in the market. The shares are 173p.

Strong activity was also noted

among Canadian mines, where dealers reported heavy buying from Europe and the UK. But

one aggin profit-taking saw most finish below their best.

Gibraltar Mines leapt \$C11 to \$C10; and United Keno

SC10% and United Keno finished SC1 higher at SC44%. Profit-taking left Sherrit Gordon SC1 off at SC13% and International Nichal SC2 language

International Nickel SC lower

\$1-1/16 to \$11.

Earnings per share 4-8(5.5) Profits pence 1.16(—) —(—) 0.57(0.5) date 28/2 £m 5.6(8.7) 1.73a(0.098) 8.1a(0.49) 1/4 0.82(0.71) March -(4.7) 1.33(1.33) KCA Int (I) —(—) —(—) —(—) 2.0(0.3) 15/2 —(1.0) Dividends in this table are shown net of tax on pence per share. Elsewhere in Business News dividends are

groups achieve top profits

By Derek Herris Commercial Editor

TV rental

The most profitable contume electronics companies are the television renters. Over three years to October 1978 they accounted for 65.9 per cent of pre-tax profits from 99 com-panies analysed by Inter Company Comparisons Business Ratios in a report on consumer electronics published yesterda<u>y</u>.

Distillers slid 4p to 140p as it waited for further developments The renters achieved the from its suitor, Hiram Walker. C. T. Bowring was 3p lighter profits despite accounting for only 26.4 per cent of the sector sales, the report added. at 123p, still reeling from its announcement earlier in the week to take out an injunction

The profits would help rental companies finance develop-ments in video equipment, where the future of the industry lay, according to the report.
Other companies in the sector saw sales increases of 32 per cent in the first 18 months of the three years covered and a further 18 per cent in the second half. Average pre-tax profit margins rose from 1.9 per cent in the first year to 4.9 per cent the year after but then fell to 3.3 per cent in the final year. Larger companies, other than the renters, had only average to below average profit margins, with varied returns on capital Worst hit were manufacturers. But foreign-owned companies saw a substantial pre-tax profits rise largely because of two Jaoanese-owned companies.

National Panasonic's British operation saw a sevenfold in-crease in pre-tax profits; Sony trebled its pre-tax profits in the

three years.

Loudspeaker makers had high average returns on capital of 34.1 per cent in the final year. *Consumer Electronics. by ICC Business Ratios, £80.

KHD sale to Fiat

Kloeckner - Humboldt - Deutz offer is for all of the shares. AG of West Germany is selling it gives Thomson Newspapers its 20 per cent interest in International Vehicles Corporation (IVECO) of Amsterdam, to Fiat shareholders accept the offer. Spa, of Italy, under an agree-ment reached between Fiat and ance until Jan 11 but may be extended by Thomson at its option, the company said.

Fiat, which so far held 80 per cent of IVECO's Flibu stock capital, will become the sole owner of the company once jointly formed by Fiat and KHD to make and market com-mercial vehicles of the Italian and West German companies.

A spokesman said KHD would continue to supply aircooled diesel engines to IVECO but had decided to abandon its financial engagement in the commercial vehicles company incorporated in the Netherlands.

International

CSR-Queensland sugar CSR of Australia says it now holds 2.70m of the 2.72m Haugh-

ton Sugar Company ordinary shares on issue, equal to about 99.1 per cent of the Queensland company's capital. As previously reported, Haughton's directors accepted CSR's offer for the Haughton

stock it did not already own. Thomson's \$139m bid Thomson Newspapers says it

has submitted a cash offer to purchase all the issued and outstanding shares of FP Publications of Canada for a total of about \$139m. The offering price is \$4,000 per class A share, \$62.50 class B shares and 10 cents per share for class X and class Y

preference shares. Thomson said that while the Jones:

Business appointments

First president of Ellis & Everard

Mr Authony Everard is to re. Mr J. Whitcroft has been made tire as chairman of Ellis & managing director of Barton Everard on April 30 to become Conduits and Mr D. C. Roper has the first president of the com-the first president of the com-the first president of the com-the first president of the company, retaining his seat on the board. Mr Simon Everard, currently vice-chairman, will succeed his brother as chairman. In addition, Mr Geoffrey Sykes and Mr Peter Wood have been appointed to the board. appointed to the board.

Mr Raiph Deglow has been appointed to the group board of Allied Insurance Brokers. Mr David Price joins the board.
Mr J. M. Skelton has joined the partnership of Withers. Mr Robin Ludlow has been appointed a director of Boyden international. A director of the General Funds

A director of the General Funds Investment Trust, Mr John Flemming, has resigned upon his appointment as special economic adviser to the Bank of England. Mr Anthony Miles is now chairman of Mirror Group Newspapers. He remains editorial director of the group, Mr Douglas Long becomes chief executive. They succeed Mr Percy Roherts who has retired after 14 years as chief executive and three as chairman. Mr Roberts remains a director of Reed Publishing Holdings.

Mr Nick Winks has been

Mr Nick Winks has been appointed to the board of Norprint as production director.

Mr John K. Johnson is now deputy managing director of The Kellogg Co of Great Britain, in the company of the company, sales and nearing of the company's sales and marketing operation. He succeeds Mr Michael Darling, who has been promoted to executive vice-president responsible for sales and marketing of the United States Food Products Division. keding of the United States Food Products Division.

Mr M. J. Baxter, Mr. C. R. Fell, Mr A. J. Hepher, Mr P. S. Leeder and Mr E. Morris have been appointed principal executives with J. & A. Scrimgeour, corporate members of The Stock Exchange. Jardines has appointed Mr. M. G. Barrow executive director on the company's main board. Mr. W. M. Courtauld, Mr N. M. S. Rich and Mr K. W. Young have been appointed assistant directors.

Mr J. Whiteroft has been made director.

Mr D. Brooke-Hirching has become chairman of General Investors and Trustees and Cardinal Investment Trust. He succeeds Mr R. H. Wethered who remains a director of both companies.

remains a director of both companies.

Mr Michael J. Gibbs, deputy chief executive of the Gateway Building Society, has been appointed a director of the society.

Sharpe and Fisher has appointed Mr Charles M. Fisher a director. Mr Fisher retains his position as managing director of John Sandford and Partners, the groups' DIY subsidiary,

Mr John L. Lutyens becomes chairman of Brown Boveri Kent (Holdings), succeeding Mr John G. Vaughan who remains a member of the board. Mr John P. W. Notley succeeds Mr Lutyens as chief executive of Brown Boveri Kent (Holdings). Mr Michael J. Knight succeeds Mr Notley and becomes managing director of Kent Process Control. Mr Jim J. Lytich retains his responsibilities as director personnel. Lyach retains his responsibilities as director, personnel, Brown Boveri Kent, and assumes Mr Knight's responsibilities as director, corporate planning.
The managing director of Pensord Press is now Mr. Graham B. Thompson, Mr. B. G.

Allen becomes technical director.

Mr Reg Valin becomes chief executive of Valin Pollen and Mr Richard Pollen is now managing director. The Hon Jonathan Davies has joined the board as a Davies has joined the board as a non-executive director.

Mr G. H. Waddell, an executive director of Johannesburg Consolidated Investment Company, has been appointed deputy chairman of both JCKC and Rustenburg Platinum Mines. Mr F. J. L. Wells, currently an executive director of JCIC has been appointed senior executive director of the company. Nov Dec

Peachey Property set to grow Peachey Property Cornora-Redman Heenan

tion, formerly headed by Sir Eric Miller, is set to expand in the current year. Chairman Lord Mais told shareholders at Specialist eng the annual meeting yesterday that, apart from seeking opportunities for investments and developments, Peachey will be looking for suitable portfolios and companies to buy.

Following the £12m sale of the Park West flat block, near Marble Arch in London, to

Gulf & Western Peachey all but wiped out its debt and currently has some £7m in cash and liquid assets. The chairman warned shareholders that while the economic climate is not too helpful,

(Australian) turnround by the farm machinery and truck with interest rates for shortterm cash at 15 per cent and The group, the Australian property returns centring on offshoot of the giant Inter-national Harvester Group of 8.5 per cent, the company is well placed to move forward man, Mr Joseph Rank, is and to look to the future with increasing confidence. The shares at 113p stand at a distinct the same period last year, when well placed to move forward and to look to the future with America, made a profit of \$6.4m (about E3.16m), against a loss of \$3.5m in 1978.-AP.-

Swire Pacific says it has acquired a 40 per cent stake in F H Tomkins 16 pc up a can manufacturing plant being built in Hongkong by Continen-

in first half Buckle and nuts and bolts manufacturers F. H. Tomkins subsidiary of Continental Group managed a 14 per cent uplift in turnover for the six months of US, retains a 60 per cent stake in the venture, currenly to October 31, 1979, from £8.74m to £10m. Pre-tax profits under construction at the Tai Po industrial estate in Hongduring the period moved ahead by nearly 16 per cent to £829,000 from £717,000.

The board states that it is unable to make a credible second-half forecast in the light of the general economic climate and the present position of the steel industry. They terim dividend from 0.4477p to say, however, that the group is trading satisfactorily at the chairman, re-established the

Howden

rises 5 pc

By Rosemary Unsworth Glasgow-based en

Glasgow-based engineers, Howden Group, produced pre-tax profits much in line with

city expectations at the interim

stage in spite of a small set-back in United Kingdom opera-

tions because of the engineering

Pre-tax profits rose by 5 per

cent to £3m in the six months to October 31, 1979. Howden traditionally does not reveal

its turnover figure at the interim stage but it is believed

to be at about the same level as last year. Group turnover for

the last full year amounted to f84.6m.

Sir Norman Elliott, chairman.

said that as 60 per cent of turnover comes from overseas,

operations in those areas were unaffected by the dispute and although United Kingdom work was hit delayed production

should be made up by the year

The share price remained un-

changed at 58p on the an-

The following are the figures for the United Kingdom's

official reserves issued by the

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10.812

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22,070 23,499

23,305

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22,719 10,211

Reserves revalued end March.

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nouncement

Treasury

End of period

1979

March

UK RESERVES

Group

Among companies reporting, Electronic Rentals dipped &p to

87p following its interim statement while Mr Paul Bristow's company, KCA International, improved 2p to 44p after its

statement and a rise in the

On the bid front, Highland

against Marsh & Maclellan. Sothebys P.B. was nervous

ahead of its figures next week,

De La Rue, another dull spot

of late, continued its downward journey, sliding 12p to 530p,

but Johnson Matthey, with its

strong interest in precious metals, climbed 27p to 233p

Equity turnover on January 2 was £85.690m. (10,584 bar-

Year's

slipping 10p to 393p.

dividend.

Specialist engineer, Redman Heenan International, which recently announced its eighth ment during the year to September 30 1979, reports chairman Mr Angus Murray in his annual statement. This is nearly three times the previous year's figure, with the great bulk being spent on land and buildings, including a new purpose-built factory for the Heenan Drives subsidiary. The remaining £1.4m was used to improve plant and machinery.

Rank Hovis forecasts big rise in profits Rank Hovis McDougall chair-

count of almost 70 per cent to the group made pre-tax profits of f14.38m. on turnover of share. holders that the current year has started well ahead of the comparative period in 1979. He states that the main wage set-tlements have been concluded and the price of bread and flour has been sufficiently increased to offset higher wheat and

KCA boosts interim dividend

Oil servicing and contracting group, KCA International, which is now almost a quarter owned by chairman Mr Paul Bristol, has substantially raised the in-terim dividend from 0.4477p to

Assuming a final dividend of not less than 2p not, the shares, at 5p, yield 12.7 per cent, prospectively. At this level, Mr Bristol could qualify for a £260,000 annual payout.

'New money' down again in 1979

Money raised through new capital issue during 1979 fell for the second consecutive year, according to the latest statistics compiled by Midland Bank. The total fell by £35m to £967.2m and is the lowest since 1974. There was also a distinct lack of interest in attempts by public authorities to raise money by new issues. Only £82.1m, or 8 per cent of the total, was attributable to local authorities.

Options

Consolidated Gold Fields continued to monopolize busi ness on the traded options market yesterday as it was sucked along in the wake of the latest bullion price surge. Of the 817 total contracts completed yesterday Cons Gold accounted for 382 with the share price advancing 21p to 419p. This has prompted a further series of options which which will begin trading today and consist of January, April and July options at a striking price of 420p. Other new series which begin trading today include RTZ 360p and at the other end of the scale Racal 160p all in the Jan, April and

July series.

An increase in activity was reported among traditional options mines were quick to shares on a more realistic yield. attract interest.

Norwich Union up by 19 pc At 19 per cent increase in represents satisfactory progress

year by the mutual life insur-

year by the mutual life insurance giant, Norwich Union.

New annual premiums reached £63m (£53m in 1978), while sums insured advanced to £2,783m (£2,390m in 1978). In the United Kingdom, total new annual premiums advanced by 21 per cent, which, following a record 44 per cent advance in 1978, makes a total increase in two years of 75 per cent. New annual premiums for pensions increased by 29 per cent to £31m, while new annual premiums for life insurances advanced by 12 per cent to £20.4m, Sales of pensions policies for celf emplayed when the formula in the sales of pensions and the sales of pensions and the sales of pensions are sales of the sales of pensions and the sales of pensions are sales and the sales of the sales o for self-employed were up by about 44 per cent. New sums insured for life insurance totalled £1,980m (£1,685m in 1978), an increase of over 17 per cent.

SCOTTISH LIFE Scottish Life Assurance

reports new business figures for 1979; net new annual premiums were over £10.2m (£9.6m in 1978); net single premiums over £9m (£11.5m); net new sums assured over £370m (£338m). ALBANY LIFE

Albany Life Assurance reports

that new premium income in 1979 totalled £31.08m compared with £12.11m in 1978. New annual premiums in 1979, £4.28m (1978, £2.77m), whilst new f26.79m (f9.3m). These figures represent increases of 54 per cent and 187 per cent respectively over 1978.

UK PROVIDENT

UK Provident reports further progress throughout 1979 with its total new business premium income, both annual and single, exceeding £18.6m. (£16.7m in 1978)—an 11% increase. The growth in new annual premiums from £12.9m in 1978 to £14.3m annum.

worldwide sales of life insurance in a year of mixed results, and pensions was achieved last Single premiums, mainly written in the Pension Business Fund increased to £4.3m (£3.8m in 1978). Most encouraging were the ordinary life assurance annual premiums which rose by 43% to £5.3m (£3.7m in 1978).

VICTORY REINSURANCE

Victory Reinsurance Group reports net new sums assured for 1979 of £1,150m (£952m in 1978), an increase of 21 per cent. Net new annual premiums were £5.2m (£4.3m in 1978), an increase of 21 per cent. New single premiums, including annuity considerations were £6.3m (8.6m in 1978). In addition, net new personner. tion, net new permanent health insurance annual premiums were £850,000.

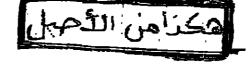
New Life **Business**

SCOTTISH PROVIDENT Scottish Provident (mutual

life assurance) reports new annual premiums for 1979 up 20 per cent to £14.75m. Single pre-miums, £7.6m (£6.45m). Net new sums assured, £535m (£483m). Net new annuities, £38.6m (£29.8m).

SCOTTISH WIDOWS New premium income for the Scottish Widows' Group in 1979

was again a record. New annual premiums were about £40.9m. (1978 £38.7m.) and new single premiums £30.5m. (1978 £27m.). For the society itself, annual premiums were £26.1m. and single premiums £7.5m., the corresponding benefits being sums assured £744m., annuities (immediate and deferred) £198m per annual benefits £198m per annum and benefits insured under Group Permanent Health schemes, £6.5m, per



Briefly

THORN ELECTRICAL

SCEPTRE RESOURCES

MANOR NATIONAL GROUP

WILLIAM PAWSON & SONS

GUEST KEEN & NETTLEFOLDS The Pembroke works of GKN Bolts and Nuts has been purchased by Deltight Industries, who will employ about 120 accounts.

Mr John Nort, Secretary for Trade, has decided not to refer the proposed merger between Gripperrods Holdings and Roberts Smeathedge to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission.

Bank Base

Rates

ABN Bank 17% Barclays Bank 17% BCCI Bank 17% Consolidated Crdts 17% C. Hoare & Co *17 Lloyds Bank 17% London Mercantile 17%

Midland Bank ... 17% Nat Westminster .. 17%

7 day deposit on sums of £10,000 and under 15%, up to £25,000 184%. over £25,000 154%.

of Sefton Variable Rate Redeemable Stock, 1983

The Council of the Metropolitan

Ine Council of the Metropolitan Borough of Sefton announces that the half yearly payment of interest due on 29th June, 1980 on the above stock will be at the rate of £8.59575 (less in-

M. J. H. Nightingale & Co. Limited

Airsprung Group

Frank Horsell Frederick Parker

George Blair

Jackson Group James Burrough Robert Jenkins Torday Limited

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Armitage & Rhodes Bardon Hill

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*Accounts prepared under provision of SSAP15.

Main Dealers for Vauxhall, Bedford, Opel and Ford, Leasing Specialists and Commercial Vehicle Body Builders

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27/28 Lovat Lane London EC3R 8EB Telephone: 01-638 8651

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Year to 31st August 1978

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£000s increase

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come tax) per £100 stock.

Turnover

Profit before tax

encouraging.

Dividend per share 3.00p

rates and shortage of supply.

improved turnover and profit.

long-term prospects are good.

Net Assets per share 102.86p 87.23p

all showed significant improvements.

* New record pre-tax profit despite high interest

* Growth in commercial vehicle market provided

* Prospects for growth in leasing activities are

* Continued progress in 1980 is anticipated and

* Retail sales of cars and parts and service activities

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Rossminster TSB 17 % Williams and Glyn's 17 %

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Recent Issues

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Stocks.

Copies of Report and Accounts are available from the Secretary. Jessups (Holdings) Limited, London Road, Romford, Essex RM7 908.

Telephone: Romford 22311

Wall Street New York, Jan 3.—Stock prices were hammered again in heavy early trading this morning as the Dow Jones industrial average sank 12 points and declines paced advances by about a representation. Board is developing catering equipment interests by buying Blakeslee of Chicago and Toronto and half of French 6, Dito Sama. They have annual turnovers of £4m and £5m respectively.

ratio.

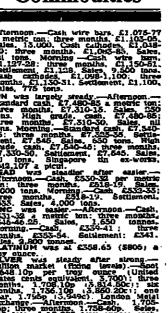
Recently strong groups such as the oil and oilfield service issues and computer stocks were under pressure. However, mining and metals issues, notably gold, silver and conner shares, continued to and copper shares, continued to

SCEPTRE RESOURCES
Suppre Resources' subsidiary,
Canderca Resources, has completed its agreement with a consortium led' by Taylor Woodrow
Energy for a joint-venture oil
and gas exploration programme
over some of its licences on-shore
in the U.K. Consortium has
started a fo-mile siesmic programme in Yorkshire Moors.—
AP—DJ, Caligary. Another gold record

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new record figure of \$275.50 ar the
class of inding of \$275.50 ar the Manor National Group Motors' offers for C.G.S.B. Holdings accepted for 91.7 per cent of ordinary and all of preference capital. Ordinary offer remains open. Contracts have been exchanged for sale of three freehold properties owned by subsidiaries for 1786,500. Proceeds have been used to reduce group borrowings.

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Commodities



Discount market

Money conditions proved far more comfortable than had been anticipated yesterday. In fact, a day that was expected to be short day mar was experient to be another turned out to be one of quite large surplus, and the Bank of England eventually mopped some of the excess liquidity via small sales of Treasury bills directly to the houses.

Market sources suggested that a postponement of a corporation tax payment was chiefly responsible for the swing in favour of the market. Secured loans had opened at 16-152 per cent, reflecting the expected tight conditions, but slipped steadily down to close at between 8 and 11 per cent for final balances.

The market had a moderate net take up of Treasury bills to finance, and there was a small excess of Revenue transfers to the Exchequer over Government dishursements, but note circulation decreased by a moderate amount, and balances were moderately above target overnight. above target overnight.

Money Market Rates Bana of England Minimum Lending Rate 17".



Foreign exchange report

The dollar staged a late rally on foreign exchanges yesterday behind unconfirmed reports that the Russians are pulling out of Afghanistan. Sterling closed 20 points lower at 2.2400. The effective trade weighted index was 0.3 points ahead at 70.5.

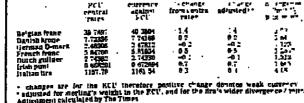
For most of the day the dollar encountered selling pressure and had to be substantially supported.

Sterling Spot and Forward



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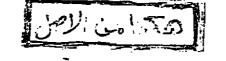
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12.00 News.

4.40 Preview

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7.05 The Archers

8.10 Prefaces to Shakespeare. 8.30 Any Questions?
9.15 Letter from America.
9.30 Kaleidoscope
10.00 The World Tonight.

10.35 Week Ending.†
11.08 A Book at Bedrime.
11.15 Financial World Tonzaht.
11.30 Talk: Common Land.
11.45 Play: Conversations Prior to

6.50 am Regional news, weather.

12.35 Weather

6.00 am News Briefing. 6.10 Farming Today. 6.30 Today. 7.00, 8.00 News. 7.30, 8.30 Headlines. 8.45 Lady Into Fox (concl.).

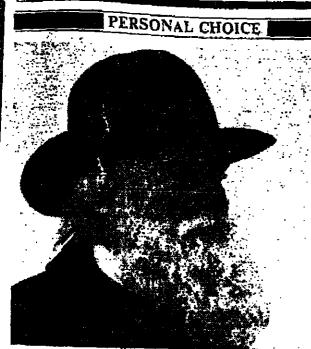
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dent. 10.30 Daily Service. 10.45 Little Women (8).

11.05 The Pink "Un.† 11.50 Bird of the Week.

12.02 pm You and Yours. 12.27 My Music.†

1.00 The World at One. 1.40 The Archers.



Malcolm Stoddard as Charles Darwin (above) and (below as Mark Fraser in The Assassination Run (BEC 1, 9.25) With him, in the lower photograph, is Mary Tamm.



 A re-launching on BBC Television tonight for three major. sporting events where skill (which one takes for granted in any case) almost takes second place to the engaging personality of the contestants. Pot Black 80 (EBC 2, 9.00), in which the use of the close-up is triumphantly vindicated, opens its new series with two Welsh wizards playing each other, the reigning Pot Black champion Ray Reardon, and the world champion, Terry Griffiths. Cuming men with the cue, both of them, but the audience's darlings International Pro-Celebrity Golf (BBC 2, 9.25) has an injection of show business which pleases those of us who understand but little of the game's subtleties, and it is made even more watchable by the off-the-cuff humour of Lee Trevino and infinitely more intelligible by the relaxed commentating of Peter Alliss. As for The Superstars (BBC 1, 7.30), the fun lies in seeing masters of one sport maintaining their composure when they are exposed as mere jacks at another.

I am constantly being asked what has happened to the actor who played Charles Darwin in the memorable series about the voyage of the Beagle. Malcolm Stoddard has a fine, strong period" face which looked splendid behind whiskers (see photograph above). Was it possible that it had been on view post-Darwin and that we had not recognized it clean shaven? Tonight (BBC 1, 9.25) you can renew your acquaintance with Mr Stoddard as he travels not to the far-off Galapagos Islands but to Spain, where terrorists have spirited his wife. The unfamiliar 1980 face and hair style of Mr Stoddard (above) should prove to be only a minor stumbling block in the way of our full enjoyment of Jack Gerson's three-part thriller.

The veteran journalist James Cameron is just the man to tell the story of The Pink 'Un (Radio 4, 11.05 am), which tells how The Sporting Times reflected the racier aspects of Victorian and Edwardian life... Dorothy Tutin, a notable Viola in her younger days, provides the preface (Radio 4, 8.10 pm) to next Sunday's BBC television production of Shakespeare's Twelfth Night in which Felicity Kendal plays Viola . . . Rachmaninov wanted the Philadelphia Orchestra under Ormandy to give the first performance of his Symphonic Dances. He got his way, and you can hear this historic 1940 recording tonight (Radio 3, 11.00).

WHAT THE SYMBOLS MEAN: † STEREO; * BLACK AND WHITE;

Broadcasting Guide

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TELEVISION

BBC 1 10.00 am What-a-Mess: A Frank Mulr story about his pet dog. The title : A Prince. 10.65 Jackanory: A story by 13-year-old Philip Quail: A Battle of Worlds. Read by Martin Jarvis. 10.20 Captain Caveman: carton, The Mystery Mansion Magic Mix-lin (c).

Up (r). 10.30 Why Don't You . . . ? Advice for TV-sated children.

10.55 Magic Roundabout: Dougal and Co (r). 11.00 Mickey Mouse Club; part 2 of Toby Tyler. 11.20 Greatest Heroes of the Bible:

Vic Morrow in Daniel and Nebu-chadnezzar, and Jeff Corey in David and Goliath. 12.45 pm News And Weather. 1.00 The Osmoods: the American singing family (r).
1.30 Mister Men: pupper show. Mr Mean and Mr Tickle (r).
1.45 International Tennis: Final qualifying matches in the Braniff Airways World Doubles Champtonship from Olympia (see also BBC 2 at 3.55 and 10.50).

Mike Songster, Ian St John and John Sherwood (see Personal Choule).

8.30 Mv Wife Next Door: Marrimodial comedy series with Hannah Gordon and John Alderton. With only days to go can the couple stave off a decree absolute?

9.00 News: with Angela Rippon.

at 3.55 and 18.50), 3.55 Play School: John Dale's story Stolen Tarts in the Castle of 4.20 One Cab's Family; tale of an ambitious taxi.

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3.35 International Tennis: Final qualifying matches of the Braniff Arways World Doubles Champion-

ship.
5.25 Flash Gordon Conquers the Universe: Episode 2 of this old (1930s) serial, Freezing Torture.*
5.55 Atoms for Enquiring Alinds: Penultimate part of the lexture by Professor Eric M. Rogers of Princeton. Today's subject: Atoms and approve.

and energy.
6.35 The Brothers Lionheart: Final

instalment of the Swedish-made fantasy. Jonathan versus the mon-

7.20 News: with sub-titles for the hard of hearing.

9.30 am The Search for the Persian Royal Blood: Part 2 of this docu-

10.20 Film: Evil Roy Slade. Com-edy about a reformed bank robber (John Astin). Also stars Mickey

11.55 The Bubblies: cartoon, Rain

12.00 Song Book: Ditties for young

12.19 pm Once Upon a Time: Pup-pet stories, including the Town Mouse and the Country Mouse.

12.30 Simply Sewing: Dressmaking

1.30 Crown Court: the verdict in the case of the blinded pop fan. 2.06 Film: El Dorado. Actionful,

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the Pooh story, read by William Rushton, An Enchanted Palace. 4.40 The All New Popeye Show; cartonas. 5.05 Johnny Ball Games: Three

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9.25 The Assassination Run: Three-part thriller by Jack Gerson (this is part 1) about a former Bridsh secret agent (Malcolm Stoddard. who plived Charles Darwin on TV1 whose wife is seized by German

7.30 Cricket: Highlights from the first day's play in the Second Test (hetween Australia and England) partnered by Sean Connery and Lee Trevino by Hollywood actor Robert Stack. From the King's Course, Gleneagles Hotel, Scotland 8.00 Quietly in Bulgaria: The World Federation of the Deaf congress, with sub-titles for the hard of hearing. (see Personal Choice). 10.15 A Celebration for Stephane Grappelli: second and final section

or appelli: second and final second of the recorded concert given at the Royal Albert Hall to celebrate the jazz violinist's 70th birthday. His guests include Julian Bream and George Shearing.

11.20 News and weather. 3.30 In the Country: The second of artist Gordon Beningheld's trilogy about his home village of Great Gaddesden. It is now harvest time. 9.00 Pot Black 80: Opening of the twelfth series. In tonight's first 11.35 Ian Dury and the Blockheads: The British rock band, in a concert recorded at Queens University, game in Group 1, we see Ray Reardon play fellow Welshman Terry Griffiths. It is Mr Griffiths's first appearance in Pot Black (see

Personal Choice). International Pro-Celebrity Golf: Opening match in the Marley Trophy series. Ben Crenshaw is

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London Weekend

7.00 The Muppet Show: American jazz trumpet player Divzy Gillespie

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12.15 am Music at Night: The tenth movement from Liszt's Christmas Tree plann suite—Once Unon a Time—played by Rhondda Gillespie. Closedown at 12.25. Wayne as a gunfighter, and Robert Mitchum as his sheriff-friend. All

about a range war.
4.15 The Flockton Flyer: Series about a family who take over a private steam railway.
4.45 Magple: children's magazine programme, includes an item on child motor-cyclists filmed at the Paylor trailer park in Kent. 1.15 The Brady Bunch: series. Cindy's secret admirer. ping plot at a film festival. 10.00 News. 5.45 News. 6.00 Thames News.
6.30 Thames Sport: Ronald Allison and Brough Scott with the week-10.00 News. 10.30 Best Sellers: continued—and

11.15 Soap: Unorthodox comedies about two American families. 11.45 Chopper Squad: Adventure stories about Australia's belicopter rescue service. A ferry collides with a freighter.
12.45 am Close: poems read by Cyril Luckham.

terrorists in Saain. Mary Tamm, once of Dr Who, plays the wife (see Personal Choice).
10.15 Points of View: Barry Took

10.20 The Lucy Show: one of Lucille Ball's vastly entertaining

10.45 News and weather. 10.50 International Tennis: High-lights of today's play in the Braziff Airways World Doubles Champion-

comments on viewers' letters.

American TV comedies.

7.30 3-2-1: Family quiz, breezily handled by Ted Rogers.
8.30 A Sharp Intake of Breath: Start of another series about Peter Barnes (David Jason), the man Barnes (David Jason), the man who will have no truck with bureaucrats. Tonight: some trotrile over a washing machine. 9.00 Best Sellers: Beggarman, Thief. Second part of the Irwin Chemical Second Part of the Irwin Shaw thriller, starring Jean Sim-mons and Glenn Ford. A kidnap-

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Radio 3

12.00-7.05 am Cricket: Australia v England.

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7.05 Weather. 7.10 News. 7.15 Records: Rimsky Korsakov, Stravinsky, Dvorak.† 7.15 Records: 8.00 News.

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9.05 Rossini (Excerpts from William Tell).† 19.00 Violin and piano; Mozart, Walton,† 10.50 London Studio Arnold Foster, Bartok, Panulnik † 11.25 16th-Century music .

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3.00 News.
3.02 Listen with Mother.
3.15 Play: Fond Memories, by
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4.10 The Poetry of G. K. Chester-2.00 Songs: Carl Michael Bellman.t 2.35 String quartets: Haydo, 3.10 In Short. 4.45 Story: We Apologise for the

3.20 String quartet: Ravel.†
3.55 Comparing Notes.†
4.55 News. 5.60 Music for early evening.† 7.10 One Pair of Ears, review.
7,15 Play It Again: preview.
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9.15 Fire in the Phoenix: the arts in postwar West Germany.
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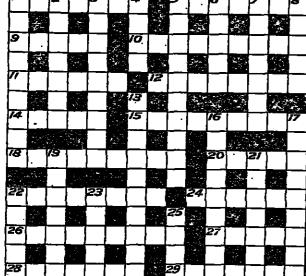
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1 Bob met by Victoria (7). 5 What won't 30 off has gone off in the heat (7). 9 " Sweetest Shakespeare, Fancy's --- " (Milton) (5). 10 Overshadow a stupid class

11 Palms off? But the hands were empty (6). 12 Not sharp and experienced but on the level! (8).

but on the level: (8).

14 State of anxiety—hard hit stones (9).

19 Bit Mrs Wilcox with a plate

(3).

12 Cat and mouse imbroglio—
at pimes Homeric? (8).

24 Semiric idol—fond of child.
ren? (6).

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4 Gip makes us a bit uppish 5 Perch for two? It sounds

13 Attacks volgar woman left and right (10).

16 The opposite of Lovelace's first love (9).

17 Perhaps is rocky, with stodes (9).

about one point (5).

15 Wild bands rise with unreasoning violence (9).

18 Musical time when Cieopatra loved Caesar (5, 4).

20 Stush all round a county of the county business calls for a drink (5).

23 Conditions in one's school-

musical forerunder (9).

7 Suffice it's in our favour 15).

8 Collects a plentiful supply (7).

9 Annual payments for our authors? (7).

10 Those classically advised to rearm? (9). Tearm ? (9).

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17).

3. Reaten at Hastings—about to make changes, it's thought (9).

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